

# Levine Cancer Institute GI Surgical Oncology

# Tests/X-Rays:

- □Chest X-Ray
- □CT Scan
- □PET Scan
- □Endoscopic Ultrasound
- □ Upper Endoscopy
- □ Upper GI Series (Radiology)

# Decisions to be made

#### **Surgery:**

# **Changes to Medications:**

#### **Next Steps:**

- ☐ Stop smoking Today!
- ☐ Exercise Vigorous exercise 30min per day, 6 days per week Work hard enough that you can't easily converse
- ☐ High protein diet. Protein need per day grams.
- ☐ Find a primary care physician (844) 235-6998
- ☐ Sign up for MyAtriumHealth <a href="http://my.atriumhealth.org">http://my.atriumhealth.org</a>

# **Referrals:**

- □ Cardioloy
- □ Gastroenterology
- □ Medical Oncology (chemotherapy or Octreotide)



#### **Risks of Surgery**

Risk of heart attack

Pre-operative evaluation by cardiologist for patients at high risk

Pneumonia

Post-operative pain control (nerve block with long-acting local anesthesia during surgery)

Early ambulation, deep breathing, coughing, incentive spirometer (breathing machine)

Pre-operative smoking cessation and exercise

Blood clots in legs (which can travel to the lungs = pulmonary embolism)

Blood thinners after surgery AND compressive stockings during and after surgery, early ambulation

Surgical procedure:

Bleeding

Infection (wound or within abdomen)

Leakage from anastomosis (connection between segments of intestines) (<2%)

Mortality risk:

#### **Team Members:**

Surgical Oncology Nutrition(Dietitian)

Medical Oncology (chemotherapy or Octreotide)

Nursing

Radiation Therapy Psychological Support

