



Radiology Department

Report to the front registration area when you enter the facility

Nuclear Medicine

- Thyroid Uptake**
 - Exam takes 2 days
 - Started at 7:30am
 - Bring all medications
 - Must be off Thyroid pills 30 days
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
 - No vitamin supplements
 - Avoid food containing Iodine 3 days prior to test
 - Patient is given a pill, leaves and returns 6hrs later for films
 - Patient returns at 7:30am next day for more films
- Stress Test**
 - Test takes 2 ½ to 3hrs
 - Bring all medications
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
 - No caffeine for 24hrs before test, this includes chocolate, dark drinks, or drinks that say decaffeinated.
- Hepatolite**
 - Test takes 1 ½ to 2hrs
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
 - No pain medication 4 to 6hrs before test
- Gastric Emptying Study**
 - Test takes 2hrs
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
 - Patient will be given oatmeal and milk or water during test.
- Lung Scan**
 - Test Takes 30min
- Renal Scan**
 - Test takes 30min
- Captopril Renal Scan**
 - Test takes 1 ½ hrs
- Parathyroid Mibi**
 - Test takes 3 ½ hrs
 - Films taken immediate and 2hrs later
- Muga Scan**
 - Test takes 1hr
- Bone Scan**
 - Test takes 2 ½ hrs
 - Patient comes and is injected with a nuclear medication then can leave and come back in 2hrs
 - Scan takes 30 min.
- Lymphoscintigraphy**
 - Notify Nuc Med Dept.

Ultrasound

- Kidney**
 - May drink clear liquids only
No Carbonated.
- Celiac Axis, Hepatic Vessel**
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
- US Aorta, Pancreas, Gallbladder, Abdomen, Liver, Spleen**
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
- Bladder, Pelvis, Pregnancy**
 - Drink non-carbonated fluids before exam approximately 32 oz
 - Do not empty bladder
- GI, Small Bowel**
 - Light meal the night before exam
 - Nothing to eat after or drink after 12 the night before
 - GI test takes 30min's, SB test takes 2hrs
 - Barium can be constipating, after exam drink lots of fluids and you may take a mild laxative
- IVP/Barium Enema**
 - IVP Requires BUN/Creatinine
 - The day before exam, clear liquids and plain gelatin, clear soups
 - At 4pm start the prescribed prep, follow instructions.
 - Nothing to eat after or drink after 10pm the night before
 - May take prescribed meds the morning of test with water

Echo

- Dobutamine Echo**
 - Test takes 2 ½ to 3hrs
 - Bring all medications
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
 - No caffeine for 24hrs before test, this includes chocolate, dark drinks, or drinks that say decaffeinated.
 - Hold Beta blockers
- Transesophageal (TEE)**
 - Test takes 2hrs
 - Nothing to eat or drink after 12 the night before
 - No meds after midnight
 - Bring a list of home meds
 - Must be accompanied by s driver

CT Exam

All test with IV contrast require a Bun/Creat/GFR Lab test for kidney function

- Abdomen/Pelvis**
 - Test takes 1 ½ hrs
 - Nothing to eat or drink 4hrs before tests that have IV Contrast
 - No metal clips or zippers on clothing
 - Oral prep will be given to you before test is performed
- CTA**
 - Test takes 1 ½ hrs
 - Nothing to eat or drink 4hrs before tests that have IV Contrast
 - No metal clips or zippers on clothing

MRI

- MRI**
 - Test times depend on area to be scanned.
 - Patient 60yrs and older must have lab for GFR (checking kidney function)
- MRCP**
 - Test takes 25min's
 - Nothing to eat after 12 the night before
 - Patient 60 years and older must have lab for GFR (checking kidney function)

****** Pregnancy test ******
on all of child bearing age – If applicable
****** All Biopsies (CT, U/S, Mammo)******
Need to be off Aspirin, NSAIDS and blood thinners for 5 days prior to biopsy
Unless Physician Orders state differently.