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Renal Scan

Appointment: Date and Time: _____, _____, 20____ at _____ AM PM

Register: in Radiology Registration Area on the second floor.

Park in the East Parking Garage for Radiology or, if you prefer, you may use the valet parking services.

What information will this give my doctor? This scan shows how your kidneys are working, as well as any blockages in the tubes from your kidney to your bladder, the ureters.

What do I need to know before I get there? The only preparation for this exam is that you be well hydrated. Drink several glasses of water before your appointment. If you normally have fluid restrictions, please discuss this test with your physician prior to coming.

How long will it take? When you arrive in the Nuclear Medicine department you will be placed on a scan table and a technologist will start an IV in your arm. You will receive an injection of a radioactive tracer. After the injection, we will take pictures for approximately 30 minutes. If your physician has requested it, we will give you an injection of a diuretic called furosemide, or Lasix. This injection should not make you feel any different, but it will cause your kidneys to release urine faster. After the Lasix injection we will take pictures for approximately 20 minutes. If you do receive Lasix during your scan, we recommend that for the next 24 hours, you drink some extra water.

If you have any further questions please feel free to call and speak with one of the nuclear medicine technologists at 314-205-6518. Thank you.

*This information is not intended to replace an informed discussion between you and your physician, but is intended to give you a general idea of what the testing involves.