

CT Preparations:

- Please alert the scheduler if you are allergic to iodine, have impaired kidney function, or are taking oral medication to control your diabetes. It is very important that we speak to you prior to your exam so that the radiologist can review your medical history before you arrive.
- If you had previous exams done, it is recommended to bring them with you for comparison.
- For abdomen and pelvis exams an oral contrast may be given depending on the physician's request.
- Patients using Glucophage or Mettformin should suspend the medication 2 days after the use of IV contrast
- For Evaluation of proper renal function, recent lab work for BUN and Creatinine levels are requested for patients 55 years and older with IV contrast examinations.
- **DO NOT EAT 4 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR EXAM TIME. DRINK ONLY WATER.**
- For **abdomen scans**, please arrive 45 minutes prior to your exam time.
- For **abdomen and pelvis scans**, please arrive 1 hour and 15 minutes prior to your exam time.
- For **head, chest, neck, or spine scans**, please arrive 15 minutes prior to your exam time.

MRI Preparations:

- If you had previous exams done, it is recommended to bring them with you for comparison.
- Please alert the scheduler if you are allergic to iodine, have impaired kidney function, or are taking oral medication to control your diabetes. It is very important that we speak to you prior to your exam so the radiologist can review your medical history before you arrive.
- For Evaluation of proper renal function for patients with IV contrast exams, screening for BUN and Creatinine levels are requested for patients 55 years and older with prior history of Diabetes or High Blood Pressure.
- The removal of all valuables is recommended for this exam.
- Female patients please to do not wear makeup, jewelry, or any hair accessories (hairclips, etc.).
- Patients will be asked to change into a gown.
- **DO NOT EAT 4 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR EXAM TIME. DRINK ONLY WATER.**

ULTRASOUND Preparations:

- **ABDOMINAL:** No tea, coffee, or dairy products. Nothing to eat 6 hours before your exam.
- **AORTA:** Clear liquids starting at 12:00 noon the day before. Nothing to eat 6 hours before your exam.
- **BREAST:** Avoid using deodorant, powder, perfume or lotion on your upper body area. You will need to replace your blouse and bra with a gown; therefore you will be more comfortable in a two-piece outfit.
- **1st TRIMESTER OB/PELVIC:** Drink 32 ounces of water 1-hours before exam. **DO NOT EMPTY BLADDER** until test is completed.