

CHATTANOOGA ■ I M A G I N G

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Your appointment is scheduled for: Date _____ Time _____

Type of scan _____ Ordering physician _____

Diagnosis _____

Copy of report sent to _____

Thank you for choosing Chattanooga Imaging. The following information will assist you in understanding your diagnostic procedure.

NUCLEAR MEDICINE SCAN

What is Nuclear Medicine Imaging?

Nuclear medicine imaging uses radioactive tracers to image different parts of the body.

What To Expect

You will first be given a radioactive tracer by injection, inhalation, or in a capsule. You will then sit or lie on a table while the camera makes images. The images from your scan will be sent to the radiologist to be interpreted. The radiologist will compare these images to any previous studies and will send a report to your physician.

Patient Preparation

Gastric Emptying

1. Nothing to eat or drink for 8 hours before the exam.
2. Do not take medications, including stomach medications, the morning of your exam unless directed to do so by your physician.

Renal Scan

1. Drink 20 oz. of fluids 90 minutes before arriving.
2. Do not take diuretics (water pills) the morning of your exam.
3. If you are having a Captopril Renal Exam, do not take blood pressure medications for 24 hours before your exam.

Bone Scan

No special preparation required.

HIDA Scan

1. Nothing to eat or drink 6 hours before your exam.
2. Do not take pain medications containing narcotics or barbiturates 4 hours before your exam.

Myocardial Perfusion Scan (Stress Test)

1. Nothing to eat or drink after midnight before your exam.
2. Do not take any medications the morning of your exam.
3. No caffeine for 12 hours before your exam.
4. Bring a list of current medications.
5. Wear comfortable clothing and shoes suitable for walking.

Thyroid Scan

1. No thyroid medications (length of time you need to be off medication will be indicated when you are scheduled).
2. No iodinated contrast within the past 4 weeks.

MUGA Scan

No special preparation required.

If you have any questions regarding your scan, please call us.

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