

CHATTANOOGA ■ I M A G I N G

(423) 553-1234

Your appointment is scheduled for: Date _____ Time _____

Type of exam _____ 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.

X-Rays and Fluoroscopy

What Are X-Rays and Fluoroscopy?

X-rays are pictures produced by an x-ray tube and film, and are used to show your bones, muscles, and soft tissue. Sometimes contrast agents are used when taking x-rays to highlight different body parts. Fluoroscopy is a study of moving body structures — similar to an x-ray “movie.” A continuous x-ray beam is passed through the body part being examined, and is transmitted to a video monitor to enable detailed viewing of that body part and its motion.

What To Expect

If you are having plain x-rays you will stand, sit, or, lie on a table while the x-rays are being taken. The time it takes to perform the x-rays depends on the number of pictures the technologist needs to take. The x-rays will be developed and sent to the radiologist to be interpreted. The radiologist may compare these images to previous studies you may have had, and will prepare and send a report to your physician.

Patient Preparation:

If you are scheduled for an x-ray with contrast agents, please follow the instructions listed below. Let us know if you think you may be pregnant.

Upper GI

- Do not eat or drink anything after midnight the night before your exam.
- Do not take medications on the morning of your exam. You may bring any required medications with you to take after the exam.
- Please let us know if you are diabetic so that we can schedule an early appointment for you.

Intravenous Urogram (IVP)

- Pick up a prep kit from our front desk and follow the instructions on the back of the box.
- Please let us know if you take Glucophage or other medication for diabetes.

Barium Enema

- Pick up a prep kit from our front desk and follow the instructions on the back of the box.
- Do not eat or drink anything after midnight the night before your exam.

Gallbladder

- Pick up a prep kit from our front desk and follow the instructions on the back of the box.
- Do not eat or drink anything after midnight the night before your exam.

Arthrogram

- Wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothing, and do not wear anything with metal snaps or zippers.
- Before your exam you will be asked to remove items such as eyeglasses, hearing aids, hairpins, and jewelry.

If you have any questions about your x-rays, please call us.

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