



BONE SCAN INSTRUCTIONS

We have scheduled you for a whole body bone scan.

Date: ____/____/____ at ____ am/pm.

LOCATION: Buffalo Cardiology & Pulmonary Associates, 6460 Main Street, Williamsville, New York, 14221.

CLOTHING: Wear comfortable clothing without any metal zippers, buttons and minimal amount of jewelry. Women are asked not to wear any under wire bras or front closure bras with metal hooks.

MEDICINES: Take all medications as usual.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: You will come to our office 2 hours prior to your appointment time for the injection of the radioactive tracer.

FEMALE PATIENTS: If there is a possibility you may be pregnant, please notify our office before the test.

TEST DESCRIPTION: Your doctor has ordered this test for you to see how well blood flows to your bones and how well your bones are functioning. The test involves the injection of the radioactive tracer 2 hours prior to imaging. When you arrive at the office, a technologist will ask you several questions relating to the scan. The radioactive tracer will then be given into a vein in your arm. There are no side effects from the radioactive tracer. You will then be allowed to leave for the 2 hours circulation time. You will be asked to drink as much as possible during this 2 hour period. When you return, you will be asked to empty your bladder and remove any metal from your body. Imaging will then begin. The imaging time for the whole body scan will be 20 minutes. Additional images may be taken depending on the doctor's order. These will take about 5 minutes each.

CONCERNING PAYMENT: Please remember to bring in all of your insurance cards and referral if your insurance requires one.

HOW TO OBTAIN YOUR RESULTS: We ask that you follow up the with physician who ordered this test for you. The results will be sent your doctor within 4-5 business days.

CANCELLATION: 24 hours notice is required if you are unable to keep this appointment or you may be **financially responsible** for the cost of the pharmaceutical agents (drugs, nuclear medicine) purchased for your appointment.

If you have any questions, please contact our Nuclear Medicine Department at (716) 565-6511

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