Northside 77 Heart

A Northside Network Provider

Exercise Stress Test, Stress Echocardiogram and Dobutamine Stress Echocardiogram

- 1. DO NOT eat four (4) hours prior to the test please drink plenty of water.
- 2. Bring or wear clothes suitable for exercising on a treadmill-proper exercise footwear is necessitated, no flip-flops or barefeet.
- 3. Please refrain from using body lotion on the day of the test.
- 4. Hold all Beta-Blockers twenty-four (24) hours prior to the test unless instructed otherwise by your cardiologist.
- 5. DO NOT drink anything containing caffeine or decaffeinated coffee (12) hours prior to the test.
- 6. DO NOT smoke twelve (12) hours prior to the test.
- Note- Exercise Stress tests take at least 45 minutes, Stress Echocardiogram take 60 minutes and Dobutamine Stress Echocardiogram take 75 minutes.

Exercise Nuclear Stress Test and Dobutamine Nuclear Stress Test

- 1. DO NOT eat six (6) hours or smoke twelve (12) hours prior to the test please drink plenty of water.
- 2. DO NOT drink anything containing caffeine or decaffeinated twelve (12) coffee hours prior to the test.
- 3. Bring or wear clothes suitable for exercising on a treadmill for the <u>Exercise Nuclear Stress Test</u> proper exercise footwear is necessitated, no flip-flops or barefeet.
- 4. Please refrain from using body lotion on the day of the test.
- 5. Hold all <u>Beta-Blockers</u> twenty-four (24) hours prior to the test.
- 6. Please let the Nuclear Medicine Technologist know if you will be flying within the next three days.

Note- All nuclear stress tests take at least 120 minutes, but the time of the test can take longer.

Lexiscan Nuclear Stress Test

- **1.** DO NOT eat six (6) hours or smoke twelve (12) hours prior to the test **<u>please drink plenty of water</u>**.
- 2. DO NOT drink anything containing caffeine twelve (12) hours prior to the test.
- 3. Please take your medicines as prescribed.
- 4. Please let the Nuclear Medicine Technologist know if you will be flying within the next three days.
- 5. Please notify the cardiologist, nurse or technologist of any history of seizure activity.

Note- All nuclear stress tests take at least 120 minutes, but the time of the test can take longer.

Holter and Event Monitors

- 1. Please refrain from using body lotion on the day of the test.
- 2. HOLTER MONITORS MUST BE RETURNED THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS DAY.

Note- Monitor placement can take 30 minutes.

NO PREP IS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES

- **1.** Echocardiogram Ladies, please refrain from wearing one piece outfits or dresses.
- 2. Carotid Duplex.
- **3.** Pre Cardiac Rehabilitation <u>Please take all prescribed medications</u> and wear clothes suitable for walking on a treadmill.

Note- Please plan on 45 minutes for these procedures.

TESTING PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

BETA - BLOCKERS

Generic Name	Brand Name
Acebutolol	Sectral
Atenolol	Tenormin, Tenoretic
Betaxolol	Kerlone, Betopic
Bisoprolol	Zebeta, Ziac
Carteolol	Cartrol
Carvedilol	Coreg
Esmolol	Brevibloc
Labetolol	Trandate, Normdyne
Metoprolol	Lopressor, Toprol, Betaloc
Nadolol	Corgard
Nebivolol	Bystolic
Oxprenolol	Transicor
Penburtilol	Levatrol
Pindolol	Visken
Propanolol	Inderal, Inderal
Sotalol	Betapace
Timolol	Blocarden

OCULAR PRODUCTS CONTAINING BETA-BLOCKERS

<u>Generic Name</u>	Brand Name
Betagan	Levobunolol
Timolol	Timoptic, Betimol

CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS

<u>Generic Name</u>	Brand Name
Diltiazem	Cardizem
Verapamil	Calan, Isoptin

LEXISCAN NUCLEAR STRESS TEST

Please do no take Theophylline or Aggrenox

TAKING ANY OF THESE MEDICATIONS ON TEST DAY MAY RESULT IN YOUR TEST BEING RESCHEDULED.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR MEDICATION AND ITS INTERACTION WITH YOUR TEST, Please call at least 48 Hours prior to your test.

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