

**Appointment Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCATION:** Aultman Main Hospital: 2600 6<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Canton

**DEPARTMENT:** Imaging Services (Radiology)

## SUMMARY OF THE EXAM

A gallium scan is used to detect the presence of an abscess or infection, diagnose inflammatory conditions and detect cancer or the spread of cancer.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

The examination will take place over a two – three-day period.

### Day one:

- You will be given an injection of a radioactive tracer. Please plan to be in the department for approximately 30 minutes.

### Day two/three:

- You will be asked to return in 24 – 48 hours for images to be obtained. Please plan to be in the department approximately one hour.
- You may be asked to return in 72 hours for additional images to be obtained. Please plan to be in the department approximately one hour.

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Please bring a written order from your doctor to the exam.
- Please bring a complete list of all your medications.
- Please bring a driver's license or other photo ID.
- Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled time.

**NOTE:** This can involves the administration of radioactive materials. The scans are not routinely performed on women who are pregnant or breast feeding.

Blood work should always be drawn before X-rays are performed. If you are having blood work, please arrive early and inform the outpatient lab you have a radiology appointment. Please arrive on time for your radiology exam.

## AFTER THE EXAM

You should expect receive the results of your exam at your next health care provider appointment (if scheduled) or within 10 days of your exam. Please call your health care provider if you do not receive your results.

### **QUESTIONS PRIOR TO YOUR TEST**

Call 330-363-6204 weekdays between 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

### **SCHEDULING AND REGISTRATION**

Pre-registration is required for an accurate medical record and proper billing. You may be contacted by a patient access representative if we need any information. If you have questions or need to schedule or reschedule your exam, please call 330-363-6288 or 1-800-837-0440 Monday – Friday between 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. All exams require a written order from your physician.

### **HOSPITAL PARKING**

Free visitor parking is available in Lot 3 across from the Bedford Building. Enter from 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Valet parking is available at the 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Bedford Building entrances for a fee – or free if you are a handicapped motorist. Deck parking is available on 7<sup>th</sup> Street for a fee based on your length of stay.

### **DIRECTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT**

Imaging Services/Radiology (7<sup>th</sup> Street deck parking is the closest parking) is located on the ground level of the main hospital. From the main hospital lobby, take the elevators to the ground level. After exiting the elevator, turn to your left and you will see the check-in desk.