

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

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

**DEPARTMENT:** Report to Aultman Heart and Vascular Center (noninvasive)

## SUMMARY OF THE EXAM

A HIDA scan is done to evaluate the function of the gall bladder.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

You will have an intravenous line (IV) started and be given an injection of tracer. After approximately one hour, you will be given an IV of medications to stimulate your gall bladder. This will take approximately 30 minutes and may be uncomfortable. If your gall bladder is not seen, you may be given morphine after consulting with a doctor. Once the gallbladder is visible, the images will be obtained.

## 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.
- Do not have anything to eat or drink four hours prior to your exam.
- Do not take any pain medications four hours prior to your exam.

**NOTE:** This scan 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.

## LENGTH OF EXAM

Plan to spend about two – three hours at the hospital for this exam.

## AFTER THE EXAM

You may eat and drink after this exam.

You should expect to 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 330-363-6200 weekdays between 6:30 a.m. – 11 p.m. or weekends between 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. for any questions about your test.

### **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**

Heart and Vascular Center (Lot 3 parking is the closest parking) is located on the first floor of the Bedford Building. After entering the Bedford lobby, turn to your right and enter the Heart and Vascular Center.