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## Nuclear Medicine Patient Preparation and Information (please provide to patient)

PATIENT PREPARATION:		ESTIMATED TIME IN NUCLEAR MEDICINE
□ BONE	No preparation	20 minutes (first visit) - for injection, you may leave the department after.  1 hour (second visit) – Return 2 to 4 hours later for imaging
☐ BRAIN SPECT	<ul><li>No caffeine or alcohol for 24 hrs before scan</li><li>Bring a list of your medications</li></ul>	2 hours
□ GALLIUM	No preparation	15 minutes <i>(1st day)</i> – for injection 45 minutes <i>(2nd day)</i> – for imaging
□ HIDA	Nothing to eat or drink after midnight	1 to 3 hours
☐ GASTRIC EMPTYING TEST (GET)	<ul> <li>Nothing to eat or drink after midnight</li> <li>Notify the department if you have an allergy to eggs (905-895-4521, ext. 2564)</li> </ul>	2 hours
☐ LIVER OR LUNG	No preparation	1 hour
□ MECKELS	<ul> <li>Adults 18 years or older: obtain Famotidine         (Pepsid, etc.) pills at your local pharmacy. Take         20mg of Famotidine 12 hrs prior to appointment time.         Nothing to eat or drink after taking the Famotidine.</li> <li>Children under 18: will be premedicated via an IV solution in the department the morning of the test.         Do not give the child any food or drink after midnight</li> </ul>	1 to 2 hours
☐ PARATHYRIOD SCAN	No preparation	1 hour <i>(1st visit)</i> 2 appointment times ½ hour <i>(2nd visit)</i> 2 ½ to 3 hours apart
☐ RBC LIVER SCAN	No preparation	1 hour <i>(1st visit)</i> 2 appointment times 40 minutes <i>(2nd visit)</i> 4 ½ to 6 hours apart
□ RENAL SCAN	<ul> <li>Drink 3 to 4 glasses of fluids prior to arrival</li> <li>May empty your bladder</li> <li>Bring a list of your medications</li> <li>Know your weight and height</li> </ul>	1 ½ hours
□ SALIVARY	No preparation	1 ½ hours
☐ THYROID UPTAKE WITH SCAN	<ul> <li>Off thyroid medication for 2 weeks</li> <li>No IVP or CT contrast for 2 months</li> <li>Off kelp or vitamins with iodine for 2 weeks</li> </ul>	15 minutes <i>(1st visit)</i> - for pill 45 minutes <i>(2nd day)</i> – for imaging
☐ THYROID SCAN ONLY	Same preparation as Thyroid Uptake Scan	45 minutes

