**Gastric Emptying Study**

***Planning ahead:***

* Your doctor will instruct you to stop taking some of your medications for 48 hours prior to this exam. Follow your doctor’s instructions on which medicines to continue taking.
* You cannot have this exam if you are allergic to eggs, gluten, or wheat.
* **Arrive at the hospital 30 minutes before your exam is scheduled.** Ask the scheduler what time that is.

***Bring with you when you come for your test:***

* Complete list of medications you are currently taking – name and dosage of each medication, and when you take it.
* Written physician’s order for the test.

***On the day of the test:***

* Come in through the main entrance of Mon General Hospital and to the Radiology Services registration desk, down the hallway to the right.
* Plan to be at the hospital for approximately three hours for this procedure.

***During the exam:***

* You will be given a special sandwich to eat over a short period of time (less than seven minutes).
* Then you will lie flat on a table for imaging, for at least two hours.

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Or call the Mon General Nuclear Medicine Department at (304) 598-1280.