

### **INFORMATION FOR OUR PATIENTS: HEPATOBILIARY SCAN**

You have been scheduled for a Hepatobiliary Scan, which involves the use of small amounts of radioactive materials. The level of radioactive materials used is extremely low and has no side effects. You will be injected with the radioactive material intravenously. Using a special nuclear medicine camera, pictures are obtained. The camera does not produce any radiation; it simply detects and records the signals from the radioactive compound.

#### **Preparation for the Procedure:**

Nothing to eat 3 hours before the procedure. You will be asked to bring a fatty meal with you. No Demerol or Morphine 6 hours prior to scan.

These preparation instructions for the procedure may be altered by the Doctor based on the individual patient or health condition.

#### **What to Expect:**

You will be injected intravenously with a small amount of radioactive material in the exam room for your hepatobiliary scan. The scan takes approximately 2 hours.

The study will be reviewed and the results will be sent to your physician. Your physician will discuss these results with you and explain what they mean in relation to your health.

If you have any questions please call: (480) 838-2277

**\*Note: Female patients of child-bearing age will be required to complete a serum pregnancy test the day before the scan.**