



**SMALL BOWEL FOLLOW
THROUGH**

Patient's Name: _____

DOB: _____

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Patients:
These are the instructions for your
scheduled procedure in our
Diagnostic Imaging Department.

Scheduling

Your examination has been scheduled for:

Date: _____ **Time:** _____ **A.M./P.M.**

The above time has been reserved for you. Please arrive 15 minutes before the appointed time so you can register. When you arrive to register, please follow the guidelines below to know where to sign in:

Admitting/Registration - 6:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Emergency Room Registration - 11:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.

Purpose

The procedure is performed in order to evaluate the small intestines for disease or pathology.

Preparation

The night before your procedure, do not eat or drink anything after midnight.

Procedure

You are asked to drink barium, a chalky tasting liquid that allows the intestines to be viewed on imaging. The technologist obtains a series of images approximately 30 minutes apart until the entire small intestines are visible. The time required for the procedure depends on how long it takes your intestines to move the barium liquid through your body. This procedure can take anywhere from 1-4 hours.

Results

You may have chalky stools and be constipated for a few days. Plenty of juices or a mild laxative is recommended.

The radiologist will review your exam and a report will be sent to your physician. Your physician will then discuss your results with you. The technologist will be unable to give you any information or interpretation about the results of your exam.

If you have questions concerning your upcoming procedure, please call the Diagnostic Imaging Department at 606-783-6761.