Barium Enema (Unprepped)

Appointment Date and Time: _____/_____/_____ at ______________.

Your child’s doctor has ordered an unprepped barium enema because of a history of constipation, difficulty stooling, or Hirschsprung disease. Unprepped means that no laxative or cleansing enemas will be given to your child to clean out his intestine first. This is an x-ray of the large intestine after barium is given by enema. This procedure will take about 30 minutes. During the study your child will lie on an x-ray table. A technologist will help position your child during the examination. Sometimes it is necessary to help your child remain still.

Results: Call your child’s doctor 24 hours after the test has been completed to obtain the test results

Please arrive at the Radiology department 30 minutes before your child’s scheduled appointment time. If you have any questions or need to reschedule the appointment, please call (816) 234-3270.

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_____ Children's Mercy Hospital, 2401 Gillham, Kansas City, Missouri, at (816) 234-3270
_____ Children's Mercy South at (913) 696-8181

We welcome and encourage your involvement whenever possible during your child’s examination. Therefore, we recommend that you arrange child care for your other children during this time.