Upper GI

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

Your child’s doctor has ordered an upper GI series. This is an x-ray examination of the esophagus, stomach and small intestine. This procedure takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Your child will swallow “barium” before the x-rays are taken.

Small Bowel Follow-Through:

If your child’s doctor requests an examination of the small bowel, additional films will be taken approximately every 30 minutes until the barium has passed through the small intestine. This can take a minimum of 2 hours.

Preparation:

Your child may have solid food until ________________.

Your child may have formula, breast milk, or milk until ________________.

Your child may only drink clear liquids (7-UP®, Sprite®, apple juice, or water) until ________________.

After ________________, DO NOT give your child anything to eat or drink.

For your child’s safety, it is very important that you follow these instructions. Please call us and let us know if your child accidentally eats or drinks after ________________.

Results: Call your child’s doctor at least 24 hours after the test has been completed to obtain the examination 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.

We welcome and encourage your involvement whenever possible during your child’s x-ray procedure. Therefore, we recommend that you arrange child care for your other children during the test.