AULTMAN

SMALL BOWEL SERIES

Appointment Date: _____ Time: _____

LOCATION: Aultman Hospital Radiology Department

SUMMARY OF THE EXAMINATION

A small bowel series is an exam performed to evaluate the small intestines. You will be given a thick liquid called barium to drink. The barium will coat the lining of your intestines, making them visible on X-ray images. The technologist will be taking X-rays every 15 minutes for one hour – and then every 30 minutes thereafter until the barium reaches the end of the small bowel.

WHAT YOU MAY EXPECT DURING THE EXAMINATION

There is no pain associated with a small bowel series. Some people experience mild abdominal bloating and/or find the texture of the barium unpleasant.

INSTRUCTIONS

- ☐ Please arrive 30 minutes prior to your scheduled exam time. The exam could take up to four hours, but plan on being in the department at least five hours from check-in until the exam is completed.
- ☐ Please bring a written order from your doctor to the exam.
- ☐ Please bring a complete list of all your medications.
- ☐ Please bring a driver's license or other photo ID.
- ☐ Have nothing to eat or drink after midnight the day before.
- ☐ If you need to have blood work the same day as your radiology exam, please arrive early and report to the Outpatient Lab. Please make the Outpatient Lab aware you have a scheduled appointment in Radiology.

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AFTER THE EXAM

Drink plenty of fluids to help move barium through the GI tract. A mild laxative is sometimes helpful to aid in the elimination of barium.

QUESTIONS PRIOR TO TESTING

Please call 330-363-6200.

List your questions/concerns for the Radiology staff prior to the start of the exam:

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REGISTRATION Pre-registration is required for an accurate medical record and proper billing. You may be contacted by a Patient Access Representative if we need any information. If you have any questions, please call 330-363-6288 or 1-800-837-0440 Monday-Friday between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

DIRECTIONS

Radiology is located on the ground level of Aultman Hospital. From the main lobby, take the lobby elevators to the ground level (GL). Turn left and report to the Radiology desk.

PARKING

You may park in the Seventh Street parking deck at no charge. Present your pink registration copy with your parking ticket when exiting.

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