Your guide to preparing for a diagnostic test at Heart South.



\*\*If you need to cancel, please call 48 hours in advance.\*\*

## **Diagnostic Prep Sheet**

You are scheduled for the following tests:	
Location: Alabaster Clanton	
Renal/AAA	Date and Time:
Echocardiogram	Date and Time:
Nuclear Stress Test / PET Scan	Date and Time:
Calcium Score	Date and Time:
Arterial Doppler, Venous, Carotid, ABI	Date and Time:

## Renal / AAA

- 1. No food or drink by mouth starting at midnight the night before the test.
- 2. Take an over the counter medication such as Gas-X the night before and the morning of your test.
- 3. No chewing gum for 4 hours prior to the scheduled time of your test.

## <u>Echocardiogram:</u> No prep requirements for Echocardiogram Nuclear Stress Test / PET Scan

<u>Time Allowance for Nuclear/ PET test:</u> <u>Nuclear-</u> At least 3-4 hours. <u>PET-</u> At least 1-1.5 hours.

- 1. No caffeine, decaffeinated, or chocolate products for 24 hours prior to your test (including coffee, tea, and soft drinks).
- 2. Do not eat or drink (with the exception of water) for 4 hours prior to your scheduled test.
- 3. No smoking or tobacco products, including the nicotine patch for 4 hours prior to the scheduled time of your test.
- 4. Do not use Viagra, Cialis, or Levitra for 36 hours prior to the scheduled time of your test.
- 5. If you use an inhaler, please bring it with you.
- 6. Women should wear a two piece outfit and avoid wearing a dress. Men should wear a two piece outfit. Avoid metal buttons or snaps on top. Bring a comfortable pair of walking shoes or sneakers in the event they are needed.
- 7. For a Nuclear Stress Test ONLY No beta-blocker medicine for 24 hours.

<u>Calcium Score:</u> No prep requirements for Calcium Score

Arterial Doppler, Venous, Carotid, ABI: No prep requirements

## FOR ALL TESTING

Only hold the medications you are instructed to hold the morning of testing. All other medications should be taken as normal with a sip of water.

Alabaster Office 1022 North First Street, Suite 501 Alabaster, AL 35007 heartsouthpc.com

0:205-663-5775

F: 205-664-2112

Clanton Office 206 Medical Center Drive Clanton, AL 35045