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Parathyroid Scan

<u>Appointment</u>: Date and Time: ____, ___, 20___ at ____ AM PM

<u>Register</u>: in Radiology Registration Area on the second floor.

Park in the East Parking Garage for Radiology or, if you prefer, you may use the valet parking services.

What information will this give my doctor? This test will show the location of the parathyroid glands and how they are working.

What do I need to know before I get there? There is no special preparation for this study.

How long will it take? Generally, this test takes about 2.5 hours. When you arrive in the Nuclear Medicine department, a technologist will give you an injection of a radioactive tracer. This tracer does not have any side effects. You will be placed under one of our cameras that will take a series of pictures lasting approximately 40 minutes. Following this you will have a break for approximately 1 hour before you return to the Nuclear Medicine department. Upon your return, another picture will be taken. This lasts approximately 10 minutes.

If you have any further questions please feel free to call and speak with one of the nuclear medicine technologists at 314-205-6518. Thank you.

*This information is not intended to replace an informed discussion between you and your physician, but is intended to give you a general idea of what the testing involves.

