

INTRAVENOUS CONTRAST PRE-MEDICATION PROTOCOL

Patients who exhibit an allergic reaction to iodine compounds used in contrast materials must follow the following protocol:

Prescription must be obtained by the referring physician for pre-medication. In addition to any other instructions patients have received to prepare for this examination they are to take the following medication at the prescribed times:

- A 50 mg tablet of Prednisone and a 50 mg tablet of Benadryl at 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. the night before your scheduled examination.
- A 50 mg tablet of Prednisone and a 50 mg tablet of Bendadryl along with their single dose (300 mg) of Tagamet two (2) hours prior to scheduled appointment.
- No solid foods four (4) hours prior to scheduled appointment and only enough liquids to take oral doses of medication on the day of study.

Call the Radiology Department at 859.258.4181 if you have any questions about this pre-medication procedure.