



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Medical Record Number: \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

You have been scheduled for the following at our Homewood Office:

**Intravenous Pyelogram (IVP)**

DAY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ (am) (pm)

Please contact us at the number listed above for any needed directions.

**Description of Intravenous Pyelogram:** The intravenous pyelogram or IVP is a special x-ray of the entire urinary tract. A series of x-rays will be taken after an intravenous injection of dye is completed. The dye fills the urinary system and multiple films are taken over a 30 minutes period to look for abnormalities. At the end of the procedure, the technician will ask you to empty your bladder in the bathroom, and then one last post-voiding film will be taken. Be sure to empty your bladder completely.

**Possible risks of Intravenous Pyelogram:** Because a dye is injected, the possibility of an allergic reaction is present. A physician will be in attendance and will administer the proper therapy, if needed. You are exposed to small amounts of radiation. If you are pregnant, please inform the technician at once. If you are a female of childbearing age, you will be questioned as to your last menstrual period.

**Preparation for Intravenous Pyelogram** – You can eat normally and take your regular medications as usual up to two hours before the IVP. In the two hours preceding the IVP please limit your intake to water only.

If you are diabetic, you may need special instructions. PLEASE ASK since you may need to change your medication schedule. Call the Triage nurse at 205 930 0920 regarding your diabetic medications.