

MANKATO CLINIC NUCLEAR MEDICINE PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS

Lung Scan (Ventilation & Perfusion)

Appointment Date: _____ **Time:** _____

Before the Exam:

- Tell your provider if you are breastfeeding, pregnant or think you may be pregnant.

During the Exam:

- This is a 2 part exam.
- **Part 1:** You will lie on your back on the imaging table.
 - You will breathe oxygen and a small amount of radioactive material through a special mouthpiece for five minutes.
 - Images will be taken of your lungs with a special camera for 15-20 minutes.
 - You **MUST** lie still with your arms above your head during the imaging.
- **Part 2:** The technologist will start an intravenous (IV) line in your arm or hand.
 - You will receive a small amount of radioactive material through the IV.
 - You will lie on your back on the imaging table.
 - Images will be taken for another 10-15 minutes.
 - You **MUST** lie still with your arms above your head during the imaging.
- The exam takes about 45 minutes.

After the Exam:

- The technologist will remove the IV.
- You may return to your normal activities.
- Your provider's office will contact you with the exam results.

**If you need to reschedule or cancel your appointment,
or have questions regarding this test, please call 507-385-3955.**

**Nuclear Medicine is located at our Main Street location on first floor.
Please check in at our Cardiology department.**

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