



NUCLEAR MEDICINE PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS

Meckel's Scan

Patient: _____ Appointment Date: _____

Arrival Time: _____ am/pm Scan Time: _____ am/pm

Location: Nuclear Medicine at Mankato Clinic
1230 East Main Street, Mankato, MN 56001

Please check in at Central Registration prior to going to Nuclear Medicine.

If you are unable to keep your appointment or have questions, please call 507-389-8519.

What is a/an Meckel's Scan:

This test is an imaging procedure used to detect meckel's diverticulum, which is an abnormal out-pouching in the small intestine.

How do I prepare for the test:

- Before scheduling your test, please tell your provider if you are:
 - Pregnant or think you may be pregnant or breastfeeding.
 - Do not eat or drink anything 8 hours before the exam. This includes medicine, gum and hard candy
 - Tell your provider if you have had any radiology procedures that used barium contrast 1-2 weeks before this test.
 - Tell your provider if you have had a PET/CT scan in the last 48 hours.

What will happen during the test:

- A 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 still on your back on an imaging table
- Images will be taken of your abdominal area for 50 minutes with a special camera.
- The test takes about 60 minutes

Instructions for after your test:

- Your provider will share the results of your test with you at your follow-up appointment. If you do not have a follow-up appointment, your provider may contact you by letter. If not, you may contact your provider's office five to seven business days after your test to obtain results.
- The technologist will remove the IV.
- You may return to your normal activities immediately.