Patient Prep and Instruction Manual
Scheduled Test: Hepatobiliary (gallbladder) Scan

Date: ________________ Time: ________________

Where: Nuclear Medicine, Ground Floor Perelman Center

Purpose: To evaluate the gallbladder and biliary ducts for obstruction.

Preparation: Ingest nothing by mouth for six hours prior to the test.

Procedure: A small amount of radioactive tracer will be injected intravenously into a vein in your arm. The liver will excrete the tracer into the biliary tree.

You will be lying down comfortably on your back for the test while a gamma camera, positioned over your abdomen, takes images for a minimum of 60 minutes.

A radiologist will evaluate your scan and may request additional images to accurately rule out or confirm an obstruction.

After Care: You may resume your normal lifestyle.

If you have any questions about your scheduled test, please contact the Nuclear Medicine department at 215-662-3051.

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