Patient Prep and Instruction Manual
Scheduled Test: I-123 mIBG Scan

Date: ________________  Time: ________________

Where: Nuclear Medicine, Ground Floor Perelman Center

Purpose: To evaluate for neuroendocrine tumors (pheochromocytoma, neuroblastoma).

Preparation: SSKI (Potassium iodide) by mouth – 10 drops in juice once daily for 3 days, given by a nurse in nuclear medicine.

Women of childbearing age must have a pregnancy test within 48 hours of injection, or a urine pregnancy test in Nuclear Medicine prior to injection.

Procedure: Patient is injected with I-123 mIBG intravenously in the vein of the arm. Patient returns the next day for whole body imaging. These take approximately 1 hour.

After Care: Continue SSKI for a total of 3 days.

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

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