



Palatine Heart Center

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Pharmacologic (Lexiscan) Nuclear Stress Test

If you are unable to keep your appointment, you must call our office and cancel within 24 hours to avoid a \$250 cancellation fee.

If you are pregnant or may be pregnant, please inform our staff as this test is not appropriate for you. If you are nursing, we ask that you do not nurse your child the day of and for two days following the test.

Preparation for the Test:

- Sometimes medications (beta blockers, calcium channel blockers and nitrates) are held for this test, please contact the office for specific instructions**
- If you take any drug containing **theophylline** (Slo-Bid, Theo-Dur) or any drug containing **dipyridamole** (Aggrenox, persantine) you must discontinue it 48 hours before the test.**
- No caffeine or nicotine for 24 hours prior to the test.** This includes food and drinks such as: regular coffee, decaffeinated coffee, chocolate, tea and soft drinks. This includes medications such as: Excedrin, No Doz, Cafergot or Fioricet.
- Please allow 4 hours to complete the test.** Please feel free to bring books, magazines or computers as there is down time between various components of the test.
- For morning testing, you may have a light breakfast before the test. For afternoon testing, you may have a light lunch before the test.**
- If you have asthma, please bring your albuterol inhaler with you the day of the test.**
- Please bring a sweater or warm clothing as the office is cool.**
- Please bring an updated list of all medications** (with the name of the medication and the dosage).