

Instructions for a Gastro Intestinal Blood Loss Study

Department of Nuclear Medicine & Centre for PET

Name: _____

Appointment

Date: _____ Time: _____

Your doctor would like you to have a **Gastro Intestinal Blood Loss Study**. This study is used to try and pin point sites of bleeding within your abdomen.

Please report to the:

**Department of Nuclear Medicine, Austin Hospital
Level 1 of the Harold Stokes Building,
Burgundy Street, Heidelberg**

If cannot attend on the day, please call the Department to make another appointment time.

The phone number is: **03 9496 5718**

Procedure: A blood sample is taken and labelled with a radiotracer. After 30 minutes, the blood is reinjected and pictures are taken immediately for 1 hour. Delayed images may also be required

Preparation: Nil.

An important note for women having Nuclear Medicine Scans:

As with any test using radiation, you must contact the Department of Nuclear Medicine before your appointment if:

- **You are or may be pregnant, if you are breast feeding**
- **Please do not bring small children with you**

Further Information

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact:

Department of Nuclear Medicine
Phone 9496 5718

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