

If you experience any delayed reaction to the contrast medium, such as hives, call your doctor.

How and when will I get my test results?

Typically, within 48 hours a written report of your test results will be sent to your referring doctor, who will review them with you. Additional time (3 to 5 days) may be required if we are comparing these test results to previous findings from other facilities.

Where is this test performed?

Your intravenous pyelography or urogram test will be performed in the Imaging Services Department of Cayuga Medical Center.

Notes

NAME _____	
APPOINTMENT DATE _____	TIME _____

IVP or Urogram

INTRAVENOUS PYELOGRAPHY



Imaging Services Location:

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Welcome to the Department of Imaging Services at Cayuga Medical Center

We are here to assist in the diagnosis of medical conditions and orthopedic injuries using various forms of radiography and imaging technology. We want to make you as comfortable as possible during your exam, while providing timely, thorough, and accurate diagnostic information to your doctor.

The information in this brochure will tell you about the imaging study for which you are scheduled. If you have additional questions, please feel free to call **(607) 274-4376** and ask for the diagnostic supervisor. This person will be able to help you.

About our Imaging Services



Cayuga Medical Center has a commitment to and reputation for staying abreast of changing technology and our imaging equipment is state-of-the-art.

Our range of services is comprehensive and we offer all imaging modalities found in major medical centers. Radiologists are on site at all three of our locations, which also distinguishes the level of service we provide.

Imaging Services is staffed by six board certified radiologists, many of whom are sub-specialists in areas such as neuroradiology, abdominal CT, and interventional procedures. Assisting them are experienced radiologic technologists and sonographers, many of whom have completed advanced training and are certified in specialty modalities.

IVP or Urogram *(Intravenous Pyelography)*

What is the test?

IVP examines the urinary system, which includes the kidneys, ureters (*the tiny tubes that carry urine from the kidneys to the bladder*), and bladder. This test helps your doctor identify and locate cysts, stones, tumors, and other abnormalities in the urinary tract.

How do I prepare?

Be sure and tell the radiologist in advance if you have any medication or food allergies, hay fever, or asthma. If you are on Glucophage (*metformin*) consult your doctor regarding stopping and then resuming your medication following the exam.

Consume only clear liquids from 8:00 p.m. the day prior. Refrain from eating or drinking anything for two hours before your exam.

What can I expect during the procedure?

Please arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled exam. You will be asked to change into a gown but you may keep your undergarments on. You will lie down on an examining table and the radiologist or radiology nurse will inject a contrast medium into your arm. You may feel a warm flush, which is very common, and have a metallic taste in your mouth. However, if you experience any itchiness, shortness of breath, or nausea let the radiologist know right away. A technologist will take X-rays at different intervals, and you may be asked to empty your bladder so other X-rays can be taken for comparison. The study usually takes 1 to 2 hours, but could take longer in cases of a renal obstruction.

After the test?

You may return to your regular diet and resume normal activities. It's best to drink plenty of water and fruit juice (*beverages without caffeine*) following an IVP.