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YOU HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

URODYNAMIC EVALUATION

TIME TO REPORT: DAY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____

DESCRIPTION OF THE URODYNAMIC EVALUATION

URODYNAMICS is an in-depth evaluation of the lower urinary tract (bladder and bladder outlet or urethra) These studies are important in diagnosing problems of loss of urinary control or urinary retention (inability to pass urine) or frequency of urination.

Your medical technician will insert a small probe through your urethra into your bladder. This will measure pressure while your bladder is filled and while you urinate. Your medical technician will place electrodes near your urethra. The electrodes record electrical signals. This is done to test the nerves that control the sphincter muscle. Your medical technician will place a second small probe in the rectum for males or the vagina for females. This is also to measure the pressure and test nerve and muscle function. You will be asked to urinate in a device that measures the rate of urine flow. The urine left in your bladder will be measured. The procedure lasts 30-40 minutes.

POSSIBLE RISKS OF URODYNAMIC EVALUATION

After this type of procedure, a small risk of infection exists. If new symptoms of burning, frequency, or bleeding occur afterward, please let us know. **PLEASE INFORM US IF YOU MIGHT BE PREGNANT.**

PREPARATION FOR URODYNAMIC EVALUATION

Try to report for your evaluation with a comfortably full bladder. If you empty your bladder just prior to your appointment it may delay your test.

DO NOT STOP ANTIBIOTICS YOU ARE TAKING FOR BLADDER OR KIDNEY INFECTIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

The uroflow equipment that we are using is very sensitive and is designed for **urine testing only**.

If you have a bowel movement in the uroflow bowl, we will have to undergo an extensive cleansing process and possible damage to this very expensive piece of testing equipment. Testing results will not be usable if contaminated by fecal material and you will need to reschedule your test. At the same time, patients scheduled for testing following you will need to be rescheduled as a result of the machine being down.

So please, if you feel the need to have a bowel movement, we request that you use the bathroom across the hallway first. We would be happy to reschedule your test, if you prefer.

IF YOU DO HAVE A BOWEL MOVEMENT IN THE UROFLOW EQUIPMENT WE WILL CHARGE YOU THE CLEANING FEE OF TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00). THIS FEE IS NOT COVERED BY ANY INSURANCE AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE PAID BY YOU AT THAT TIME.