

Centralized Scheduling (540) 741-9729

For patients with an allergy to Gadolinium or Iodinated Contrast Media

****MUST BE ADDRESSED AT THE TIME OF SCHEDULING TO ALLOW TIME FOR ADEQUATE
PRE-MEDICATION TIME****

- Patients who have had vasovagal reactions, nausea, vomiting, or contrast induced renal dysfunction are not considered to have had previous allergic-like reactions and DO NOT require premedication
- Ascertain the nature of the reaction. Patients who have had previous mild allergic-like reactions, such as hives, nasal congestion, itching, mild shortness of breath should have their contrast enhanced studies performed at the Medical Imaging Fredericksburg (**MIF**) facility located on the Mary Washington Hospital campus, at the Medical Imaging of Fredericksburg at Lee's Hill (**MILH**) facility, or at the Medical Imaging at Harrison Crossing (**MIHC**) facility.
- Patients who have had more severe shortness of breath, or an anaphylactic response will be protocolled with a Radiologist prior to their contrasted study being scheduled to see if an alternative test could be performed. After consulting with the Radiologist, if the patient decides to proceed with the contrast enhanced study, it should be performed only at **SH, MWH, MIHC, and MILH**.

Please pre-medicate as follows:

- The patient will need to arrange for a driver/transportation to and from their appointment due to the possibility of drowsiness from the required medication

150mg TOTAL PREDNISONE	<u>OR</u>	64mg TOTAL SOLUMEDROL (METHYLPREDNISOLONE)
50mg 13 hours prior to exam time 50mg 7 hours prior to exam time 50mg 1 hour prior to exam time		32mg 12 hours prior to exam time 32mg 2 hours prior to exam time
50mg BENADRYL (DIPHENHYDRAMINE) BY MOUTH 50mg 1 hour prior to exam time		
**** ALTERNATIVE TO BENADRYL IF ALLERGIC 100mg ATARAX (HYDROXYZINE) 100mg 1 hour prior to exam time		