HIDA/Hepatobiliary Scan

Your provider has referred you for a gallbladder scan. You’ll be injected with a radioactive tracer that allows your doctor to evaluate your gallbladder and bile ducts.

The entire test takes 1-2 hours, however in certain cases you may be asked to return for delayed imaging.

**Before the bone scan, tell your ordering physician if:**

- You are, or may be, pregnant.
- You are breast-feeding.
- You have severe claustrophobia.
- You have difficulty lying flat.

**How to prepare**

- **Have nothing to eat or drink for 4 hours before having a gallbladder scan.**
- Please wear loose comfortable clothing and minimal jewelry for the study.

**If you are unable to keep your appointment please call to cancel. Give at least 24 hours notice when possible.**

For more information please do the following:

1) [http://members.kaiserpermanente.org/kpweb/healthency/entrypage.do](http://members.kaiserpermanente.org/kpweb/healthency/entrypage.do)
2) Type “gallbladder scan” into the search agent.