2 West/Radiology – Special Procedures with Sedation

You are scheduled for

Procedure: ____________________________________________________________

Date: _______________ Time: __________________

We are located on the 2nd floor of the main hospital near Nuclear Medicine.

Certain diagnostic tests and procedures can be performed safely in an outpatient setting because they can be done in a short time and involve little risk. 2 West provides care both before and after such procedures.

Instructions – at Home

• If you are currently taking medication for clotting disorders or to “thin your blood”, please talk with your Roswell Park healthcare provider about when/if you need to stop taking that medication before your procedure.

• You may take routine medications (to control blood pressure) with a small sip of water.

• **Stop all food and drink 6 hours before your procedure except for clear liquids.**

• **Stop clear liquids 2 hours before your procedure.**

• Clear liquids are liquids that you can see through at room temperature (about 72°-78°).

• Bring your health insurance ID card, your Roswell Park green card, a list of your allergies, and a list of your current medications.

**Make Sure You Have a Ride Home:** You are scheduled to have sedation medication for your procedure. This means you cannot drive after your procedure. You must have a responsible adult available to drive you home after your procedure. **Your procedure will be cancelled if you do not.**

Notify a nurse in the clinic if you have problems making arrangements or call the Social Work Department at 716-845-8022.
Instructions – at Roswell Park

• If you need blood work to be completed before your procedure, please arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled time to have your blood work done.
• When you arrive at the hospital, go to 2 West. You do not need to stop at the lobby registration desk.
• Your appointment time will be approximately 1 hour before your scheduled procedure time. During this time, your 2 West nurse will place an IV (intravenous) line, briefly evaluate you, and get you ready for your procedure.
• You will have the opportunity to ask questions of the doctor (or the person doing the procedure) before your procedure.
• You will recover in 2 West until you are ready for discharge. Visitors are limited to 2 adults. Children are not allowed.
• Your recovery time will depend on the procedure you are having done.

Special Considerations

• If you have an allergy to contrast or dye: Please call 2 West at 716-845-2986 at least 24 hours before the procedure. We may need to give you medication before your procedure if contrast (dye) will be used.
• If you take metformin or medications containing metformin: We may instruct you to stop taking these medications before your procedure if the procedure requires the use of an x-ray or CT contrast.

Questions

We hope we have answered your questions about 2 West.

• If you still have questions, or if we can help in any way, please call 2 West at 716-845-2986 between 7:00am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

• If you have questions not related to the procedure scheduled in 2 West, please contact your Center/physician at Roswell Park.