

INTRAVENOUS PYELOGRAM (IVP)

EVALUATION OF :

Back or Flank pain
Hematuria
Recurrent urinary tract infections
Kidney stones

PREP:

A prep kit will be given to use the day prior to the test. This is to clear the bowel which allows better visualization of the kidneys.
Nothing to eat or drink after midnight the day prior to the exam.
If there is any possibility of pregnancy, this must be discussed with your physician BEFORE any tests can be done.

PROCEDURE:

An IV site will be obtained for the dye to be injected. A preliminary picture will be taken and reviewed by the radiologist. You will be lying on your back for the entire procedure, with the exception of one picture when you will have to lay on your stomach. The x-ray dye will be injected and multiple pictures will be taken at different time intervals. At the end of the exam you will be asked to void so that a post picture can be obtained.

POST:

Drink plenty of water to flush out the kidneys and bladder. The x-ray dye is clear, you should not see any unusual color.

Call your physician in 3-4 working days for your results.