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Time _____

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Intubated Small Bowel Study

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What is an Intubated Small Bowel Study?

Your doctor has requested a specialised x-ray examination of the small intestine – a Small Bowel Study. This leaflet explains what is involved.

Before the X-Ray

It is important that your bowel is clean so that the Radiologist may have a clear view. When the x-ray is booked our staff will explain the dietary requirements.

The Doctor (Radiologist) will introduce x-ray contrast into the bowel through a small tube. This is inserted into the nose after a spray of local anaesthetic to minimise discomfort. The tube is then guided to the correct position by the Radiologist. The contrast is run through the tube into the bowel and x-ray images are taken as it outlines the intestine.

Instructions

Before the small bowel x-ray, your diet is restricted to enable the bowel to be cleared of residue, otherwise the examination may not be completely satisfactory. Please call in to our Clinic to make an appointment and collect your preparation.



Preparation Information

Day before examination:

- > **Evening meal** - A light evening meal before 7:00 pm
- > **At 8pm** - Mix the contents of the PICCOLAX sachet with 120mls of water. Drink all of this mixture followed by the two (2) large glasses of clear fluids.
- > Have nothing to eat after drinking the laxative.
- > Clear fluids may be taken throughout the evening to satisfy thirst.
- > From midnight nothing to eat, sips of water for thirst.

Please bring any previous imaging with you on the day of your examination. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask us!