

**MRI AND IMAGING CENTER**  
MRI/MRA      CT      X-RAY      ULTRASOUND      DEXA SCAN

**CT Scan Prep**

Your doctor has ordered a CT scan to include your abdomen and/or pelvis. A CT scan is an x-ray that uses a computer to show images of your internal organs within your body. To assist with the interpretation of your scan we require that you drink a barium contract agent to coat your stomach and intestines.

You have been given 30 ounces of RediCat as a preparation. We have created the following time tables for drinking to make you as comfortable as possible, while maintaining a proper intake of barium to give you the best possible scan.

***If your appointment is scheduled between  
7:00 am and 12:00 noon...***

1. No solid food for 4 hours prior to your exam.
2. Drink one bottle of prep before bedtime.
3. Drink  $\frac{3}{4}$  bottle of prep 1 hour prior to exam.
4. Bring remaining  $\frac{1}{4}$  bottle of prep to appointment

***If your appointment is scheduled between  
1:00 pm and 7:00pm...***

1. No solid food for 4 hours prior to your exam (clear liquids allowed).
2. Drink one bottle of prep 2 hours prior to exam.
3. Drink  $\frac{3}{4}$  bottle of prep 1 hour prior to exam.
4. Bring remaining  $\frac{1}{4}$  bottle of prep to appointment.

***Continue to take ALL medications as your doctor has ordered.  
(Take with clear fluids)***

***\*\*\*\*\*Please shake the Barium Prep before drinking\*\*\*\*\****

The Barium Prep tastes better CHILLED....