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Preparation for IVP

What is an IVP (Intravenous Pyelogram)?

An IVP, or intravenous pyelogram, is an x-ray test that provides pictures of the kidneys, urethra, bladder, and ureters. An IVP can measure the size, shape, and position of the urinary tract and evaluate what is collected inside the kidneys. During this test, a dye is injected into the arm and then multiple x-rays are taken at different intervals.

Prior to the test Purchase:

- One bottle of Citrate of Magnesia
- Fleet's Enema

Preparation for the Exam (Night before the test):

- Have a light supper the evening prior to your test.
- Take the Citrate of Magnesium the evening prior to your appointment. Follow the directions on the bottle.
- Nothing to eat or drink from Midnight until the test is completed. You can take your medication with a little water.
- Morning of the exam...take a Fleet's Enema.