Computed Tomography (CT)

1. **CT without contrast**- No prep

2. **CT (with contrast or w/wo), CTA**- Patients should have nothing but clear liquids at least 3 hours before the scan, it helps they stay well hydrated to decrease renal complications from the IV contrast. Take medications as prescribed.
   - Glucophage (Metformin) should be stopped for 2 days after CT, not before.
   - Verify patient is not allergic to IV contrast. Patient may need to be pre-medicated with Prednisone and Benadryl.

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

1. **MRI without contrast**- No prep

2. **MRI with contrast**: Preferably patients should have nothing but clear liquids at least 4 hours before the scan, but if needed, patients can have a light meal 3 hours before. Take medications as prescribed.

3. **MRI Abdomen**: It is very important to have nothing to eat or drink at least 8 hours prior to scan time. Take medications as needed with the minimal amount of water. If needed, consume the minimal amount of juice to stabilize blood sugars.

4. **MRI Breasts**- Need to be scheduled 7-14 days after the start of the menstrual cycle. Patients should have nothing but clear liquids at least 4 hours before the scan. If needed, patients can have a light meal 3 hours before. Take medications as prescribed. These studies will not be scheduled until all prior breast imaging have been received by TCRHCC Radiology.

Ultrasound (US)

1. **RUQ (Liver, Pancreas, GB, R Renal, Aorta), Abdominal**- A light meal by 6pm and nothing to eat or drink after midnight. If needed, consume the minimal amount of juice to stabilize blood sugars.

2. **Renal, Kidney**- Drink at least 20 oz. of fluid 1 hour prior to exam. DO NOT EMPTY BLADDER BEFORE EXAM.

3. **Pelvic**- Drink 32-40 oz. of liquid 1 hour prior to exam. DO NOT EMPTY BLADDER BEFORE EXAM.

Fluoroscopy

1. **Upper GI**- Have a light dinner by 6pm and nothing to eat or drink after midnight.

2. **Small Bowel**- Have a light dinner by 6pm and nothing to eat or drink after midnight

3. **Barium Enema**- Drink plenty of water before appointment to prevent dehydration. No solid food after breakfast the day before appointment. Remember GoLYTELY® the day before to help clean out system.

Mammogram

1. No powder, lotion or deodorant from waist up. Wear a 2 piece outfit.