



Post-Procedure Instructions for Gadolinium

- Following completion of your MRI scan today you may continue with your normal daily activities.
- Please make sure that you remain well hydrated for the next 12 hours. Drink an additional 1-2 glasses of water. This is especially important if you had an MRA of the renal arteries or MRI of the breast.
- If you are breast feeding you should discard your breast milk for the next 48 hours as gadolinium will be present in the milk for that time period.
- Although it is rare to experience any delayed allergic reactions, please call your physician if you develop a rash or hives. In the event that you have a severe reaction such as shortness of breath or facial swelling please call 911.
- If you had an MRA of the renal arteries or breast MRI and are taking an oral medication to treat diabetes containing metformin (Avandamet, Glucophage, Glucophage XR, Glucovance, Metaglip) you should discontinue the medication at the time of the exam and withhold it for 48 hours following your MRI procedure. You will need to have your serum creatinine level checked at 48 hours and make sure it is normal or back to your baseline level before resuming metformin. **Please consult with your primary healthcare provider regarding discontinuing your metformin containing medication and restarting it following your procedure.**
- If you have further questions regarding your MRI examination please speak with the technologist.

I read and understand the contents of this form, and had the opportunity to ask questions regarding the information on this form and the procedure I am about to undergo.

Signature of Person Completing Form: _____ Date ___/___/___