Welcome to the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center CT Department.
You have been scheduled to have a Chest Fluoroscopy (a form of X-ray). This test is also called Diaphragm Fluoroscopy or a sniff test. This information will help you understand the test that has been scheduled. Thank you for trusting OSF for your medical imaging needs.

When to come:
Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time to check in.

What to Bring with You:
You may have had x-rays done at a hospital other than OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center. Please bring copies of the pictures with you the day of the test. You may also request that the doctor’s office send the pictures or results to OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center before your test.

Preparation:
None.

Jewelry:
Please remove all jewelry from your neck and chest area before the test.

Family:
Family or friends may be asked to stay in the waiting area during the test.

Pregnancy Testing:
Pregnancy testing will now be performed on females receiving diagnostics between the ages of 10 and 55 years old if you have not had your tubes tied or a hysterectomy. Home pregnancy tests are not acceptable. If you know that you are pregnant, please notify your doctor.

Medications:
You may take medications as prescribed.

Test Instructions:
You may be asked to wear a hospital gown during the test. Your test will take about 30 minutes. A registered X-ray technologist will help the radiologist (a doctor specializing in reading X-rays) with the test. An x-ray table will be tilted upright and you will stand in front of it for the x-rays.

A radiologist will begin the test by asking you to take big breaths in and out. The radiologist may ask you to act like you are sniffing a flower. While you are doing these things, the radiologist will take some pictures. After looking at the pictures, the radiologist may need more pictures to be taken by the X-ray technologist.

After Test Instructions:
None.

Test Results:
Your test will be read by a who will complete a report that will be sent to your ordering doctor. You can make plans with your ordering doctor on how to receive your test results.