



GREATER LANSING

## CYSTOGRAM

A cystogram is an x-ray study of the urinary bladder. This involves placing a catheter in the bladder. The catheter is then used to place x-ray "dye" into the bladder. The dye allows the Radiologist to see the bladder under the x-ray fluroscope. The radiologist will interpret the x-rays and send your doctor a report. Your doctor can then discuss the results with you. If you are a woman of childbearing age and there is a chance you could be pregnant, please tell your doctor and the technologist prior to your exam.

### GENERAL GUIDELINES:

- There is no special preparation or restrictions for this exam.
- PLEASE BRING ANY PREVIOUS X-RAYS RELATED TO YOUR EXAM WITH YOU TO YOUR APPOINTMENT.
- A preliminary x-ray of your abdomen will be taken by the technologist.
- A catheter will then be placed into the bladder by a nurse who works in the radiology department.
- The radiologist will then supervise the flow of the x-ray dye into the bladder under the x-ray fluoroscope.
- Once the bladder is full, x-rays will be taken. You may be asked to move from side to side to see all parts of the bladder. The catheter can then be removed.
- You may be asked to urinate on the table in order for the radiologist to see all the structures. You may be given a urinal or basin to use for this. If for some reason you cannot urinate on the table, you may empty your bladder in the bathroom.
- An x-ray is then taken once your bladder is empty. The exam is then completed. Once your x-rays have been reviewed by the radiologist you may leave.
- If you need to reschedule your appointment, please call our central scheduling office at 975-2695.
- If you have any questions or concerns regarding your procedure, please call us at 975-6382.