



## **NUCLEAR MEDICINE DEPARTMENT**

### **Study**      **Parathyroid Scan (Tc99m-Sestamibi)**

This test detects & assesses benign thyroid tumors and abnormalities. You should have nothing to eat 4-6 hours prior to the test but you can take water.

### **Procedure**

You will be given an injection of a radioactive tracer. After 15 minutes you will be asked to lie down on the bed and the camera will be positioned above your neck and chest.

Pictures will be taken at different time intervals for one hour. It is very important that you do not move during the pictures. Once this set of images is complete, you will be asked to wait about one hour and then have a second set of images taken and so on.

The exam will take approximately four hours to complete.

**Be sure to bring your requisition form with you on your appointment day.**

**There may be some waiting required as there are multiple studies being performed.**

**Be assured that our friendly staff members are working hard to serve you promptly.**

**If you will be unable to attend your appointment or get late then please do inform us in advance as radioactive injections are expensive and can't be used for other patients.**