

Fluoroscopy-Dobhoff Tube Placement

To Schedule: (319) 861-7778

Questions about Procedure: (319) 398-6050

What is a Dobhoff Tube Placement procedure?

Dobhoff tube placement is performed when a patient is unable to drink or eat due to various reasons. This tube is necessary to give the patient tube feedings. This procedure will take approximately 30-60 minutes.

Preparation:

No preparation necessary.

PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT:

A PHOTO ID TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY

A LIST OF CURRENT MEDICATIONS YOU ARE TAKING

Procedure:

The radiologist or radiologist assistant will numb the patient's nose and nasopharynx with 2% Lidocaine jelly. They will then insert the Dobhoff tube through the nose, into the stomach and into the duodenum. Once the tube is in the proper place, Gastroview (contrast) is injected into the tube and an image is taken to document the placement. A nasal bandage is used to secure the tube. Sometimes uncooperative or combative patients may need to have their hands restrained during the procedure or a Bridle may be placed. After the procedure, the patient is returned to their room or sent home if an outpatient.

Parking/Registration:

Park in the Mercy Medical Center 10th Street Parking Ramp, located at the corner of 10th Street and 8th Ave. SE. You will be pre-registered, so you can proceed to **Ground (G)** level and follow the signs to "Radiology (X-Ray)," also located on **Ground (G)** level.

Procedure Results:

Please allow 2 business days from your exam for your physician to review your Radiology results.

Your appointment date and time:

Procedure date: _____

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