


<p><b>EXAM:Upper GI Series</b>          Imaging Department 915-298-8353          Scheduling 915-298-KIDS</p>	 <p><b>El Paso Children's</b>          HOSPITAL</p>
<p><b>INDICATIONS:</b></p>	<p>If you have specific questions as to the reason for the examination, please contact your ordering physician. This exam will help them to determine or rule out if you have reflux, polyps, diverticulitis, or other upper digestive lesions.</p>
<p><b>CONTRAINDICATIONS:</b></p>	<p>. Usually no contraindications.</p>
<p><b>HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?</b></p>	<p>Exam itself will take approximately 30 minutes. Please allow some time for registration and other paperwork.</p>
<p><b>PREPARATION:</b></p>	<p>Nothing to eat or drink after midnight</p>
<p><b>PRECAUTIONS:</b></p>	<p>None</p>
<p><b>MEDICATION ISSUES:</b></p>	<p>Take only medication that is necessary with a small sip of water. Try to take any medications after the exam if possible. Please check with your physician to see if they feel it is important for you to take certain medications. Pills in your stomach can obstruct the view during the examination.</p>
<p><b>WHAT CAN BE EXPECTED:</b></p>	<p>You will be asked to drink a thick liquid barium so that your esophagus, stomach and beginning of your small intestine can be viewed on an x-ray image. It is expected that the patient will notice the white barium passing in their stool for several days.</p>