Pulmonary Function Department **METHACHOLINE CHALLENGE PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS**

Patient Name
Address
Address



TEST LOCATION

Pulmonary Function 4TH Floor Royal Block ROYAL JUBILEE

Appointment Date: Test Start Time: Your Test Will Be:

Please be sure to follow the instructions below because failure to do so could result in your test being cancelled:

 Report to the **Pulmonary Function Department** at the Royal Jubilee Hospital 15 minutes prior to your appointment start time.

(arrive 15 minutes early)

- <u>All patients are required to provide a Care Card or other form of ID for check-in</u>. We need to confirm that the information we have for you is current and correct.
- Thank you for not wearing scented products or lipstick.
- Avoid caffeine (tea, coffee, chocolate, pop, etc.) for four [4] hours prior to test. You may eat as normal, avoiding caffeinated products.
- Do not smoke any substances for <u>four [4] hours prior to test</u>.
- You will not be exercising for this test—no need for gym wear.
- This is a <u>60 minute</u> test.

CANCELLATIONS:

We require <u>48 hours'</u> notice of cancellation. Please call Shannon at 250-519-1642 for cancellations and questions.

AVOID the following medications before your test:

- * 8 hours prior: NO Ventolin, Salbutamol, Bricanyl, Airomir, inhaled Cromolyn sodium
- 12-24 hours prior: NO Theophylline (Uniphyl, Theodur)
- 24 hours prior: NO Atrovent/Ipratropium, Combivent
- * 48 hours prior: NO Serevent, Oxeze, Onbrez, Foradil, Tilade/Nedocromil
- ✤ 3 days prior: NO Accolate, Singulair
- 1 week prior: NO Spiriva, Seebri, Tudorza
- 4 weeks prior: NO Symbicort, Breo, Zenhale, Advair
- 4 -8 weeks prior: NO Flovent, Pulmicort, Qvar, Alvesco, Asmanex, Arnuity, Azmacort)

If you are unsure if you are taking any of the above medication, check with your pharmacist or physician.

OUR LOCATION:

We are located on the **4th floor of the Royal Block**, located at the older (original) side of the Royal Jubilee Hospital. There are 2 ways to get to us:

- Parkade off of Bay Street at the new main entrance of the hospital (this is the best option between 8:00 am -5:00 pm):
 - Enter through the D&T Centre (Diagnostic and Treatment Centre).
 - Ask the information desk where we are and they will point you in the right direction (follow signage after 5:00 pm).
 - If you require assistance, a volunteer may be available to escort you. Wheelchairs may be available upon request.
- 2. A closer entrance to our department is through the old main entrance off of Coronation Avenue (this is the best option after 5:00 pm):
 - Park in the stalls outside of the West/Royal Block entrance and use the parking machine inside the foyer.
 - After paying for parking, take your first right and there will be a bank of 4 elevators on the left. Take any one of those to the 4th floor.
 - Follow signage to the reception window.
 - Please see the attached map for step by step directions!

PARKING:

You may park at the parkade which is near the Bay Street Entrance to the hospital. *Parkade* rates are: \$2.25 for the first hour and \$1.25 for each additional hour. *Parking machines*: \$2.75 for the first 2 hours and \$1.50 for each additional hour.