



**Urologic Consultants**  
of Southeastern Pennsylvania

### **DESCRIPTION OF NEPHROSTOGRAM**

The nephrostogram is a special x-ray done to determine whether the kidney drains adequately into the ureters and bladder. The radiologist will place a dye into your nephrostomy tube and then take X-rays in to help answer our questions. This shouldn't be painful, but the kidney might ache a little. A dye is placed through the kidney tube directly into the kidney and then X-rays are taken while you are in various positions. Sometimes the nephrostomy tube can be removed afterwards depending on your condition and the reason that the tubes were placed.

### **POSSIBLE RISKS OF NEPHROSTOGRAM**

You will be exposed to small amounts of radiation. (Tell us before the procedure if you are pregnant.) A small chance of infection exists after this test. Tell us if you develop fever, chills or redness or swelling.

### **PREPARATION FOR NEPHROSTOGRAM**

No restrictions of diet or fluids or medications exist for this examination.