

MANAGEMENT OF PEDIATRIC PATIENTS WITH HISTORY OF REACTION TO CONTRAST MEDIA

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Dear Dr. _____:

Your patient, _____ was referred to the Radiology Department at New York-Presbyterian Hospital to undergo an intravenous contrast procedure. During scheduling or assessment of your patient prior to the procedure, we have learned that your patient has a history or strong suspicion of prior allergy like reaction to contrast media.

In order for your patient to safely undergo the required contrast procedure, our radiologists recommend that your patient be treated using one of the following prophylactic treatment regimens in order to avoid or minimize the possibility of a recurrent reaction to contrast media.

Recommended Prophylactic Treatment Regimen for Pediatric Patients with History Reaction to Contrast Media:

Treatment Regimen # 1: Oral Regimen
Prednisone 0.5 mg/kg up to 50 mg PO 13 hours prior to procedure
Prednisone 0.5 mg/kg up to 50 mg PO 7 hours prior to procedure
Prednisone 0.5 mg/kg up to 50 mg PO 1 hours prior to procedure
Diphenhydramine 1mg/kg up to 50 mg PO 1 hour to procedure

Or

Treatment Regimen # 2: (If cannot ingest oral medication)
Methylprednisolone 0.5 mg/kg IV at 13 hours prior to procedure
Methylprednisolone 0.5 mg/kg IV at 7 hours prior to procedure
Methylprednisolone 0.5 mg/kg IV at 1 hours prior to procedure
Diphenhydramine 1 mg/kg up to 50 mg IV 1 hour prior to procedure

We will be rescheduling your patient for the exam according to this treatment requirement. If you would like to contact us to discuss further, please call 212-746-6000.

Thank you for your cooperation.