

# **Guidelines on Health Check Preparation**

Please note the following items according to the details of your physical examination plan:

### **General Examination Preparation**

### **Blood Test**

 Fasting (i.e., no food and drinks) is required for blood glucose and blood lipids test. Please fast for at least 8 hours before the scheduled appointment. (Moderate amount of drinking water is allowed).

#### **Stool Test**

If the examination includes stool test:

- Please bring along a stool sample to the medical centre on the day of examination. Stool bottles can be obtained from any Quality HealthCare Physical Check-up centres.
- If a stool sample is taken from the night before, please ensure the bottle is tightly capped and refrigerated at 4°C.
- A stool sample should NOT be taken during the menstrual period.

### Treadmill Test (Exercise ECG)

- Dress in casual clothing, preferably in sportswear and sports shoes.
- Do not apply lotion, oil, or powder to the chest area.
- Do not overeat prior to the examination.
- If you are taking any regular medications, please follow your doctor's dosage instructions before and after the examination.

# 13C Urea Breath Test

- The test can only be performed at least 4 weeks after Helicobacter Pylori (HP) antibiotic treatment. Please consult physicians if in doubt.
- Fasting (i.e.no food & drinks) for at least 6 hours.

### **Pre-marital Health Check-up Preparation**

### **Seminal Analysis**

 For gentlemen, please <u>click here</u> to read "Patient Instruction of Collecting Semen for Seminal Analysis" for preparation.

### **Examination Preparation for Female**

#### **Radiation Test**

 Pregnant women should not undergo any imaging which involves radiation emission (e.g., X-ray, Osteoporosis Screening).

### Pap Smear / HPV DNA Test / Urine Test

Should be performed at least 4 days after the last day of menstruation.

# **Ultrasound of Breast**

Do not apply perfume, deodorant, or talcum powder before the examination.

### Mammogram

- Do not apply perfume, deodorant or talcum powder before the examination.
- If possible, should be performed 7 days after the last day of menstruation to minimize breast discomfort during the examination.
- Please bring along any previous mammogram film (if any) for reference.

### Ultrasound of Whole Abdomen\* / Pelvis

If you will undergo Ultrasound of Whole Abdomen / Pelvis, drink a lot of water until you have a full bladder 30 minutes prior to the examination.

\*Fasting for at least 6 hours prior to the examination.

# **Ultrasound of Breast vs. Mammograms**



- Breast ultrasounds assess inside body tissues using high-frequency sound waves and then transform the results into an ultrasound image. Unlike mammograms, no radiation is emitted during a breast ultrasound, making it safe for pregnant women.
- A mammogram is a screening tool that uses low-dosage X-rays to examine the breasts. However, you will be exposed to small amounts of radiation during a mammogram. It works by compressing the breasts between two plates and often, pressure is felt during this process.

# **Examination Preparation for Male**

# Ultrasound of Upper Abdomen\* / Prostate

• If you will undergo an Ultrasound of Upper Abdomen / Prostate, drink a lot of water until you have a full bladder 30 minutes prior to the examination.

\*Fasting for at least 6 hours prior to the examination.