

**CARDINAL PAIN CENTER PA**

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*YOUR APPOINTMENT FOR PROCEDURE IS ON \_\_\_\_\_*

*DATE:* \_\_\_\_\_

*TIME:* \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCATION: 221 W. COLORADO BLVD, PAVILION 2, STE 940; DALLAS, TX 75208**

**PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO PAIN TREATMENT**

1. Please arrive for your appointment at your scheduled arrival time.
2. Please **arrange a driver to bring and stay for appointment** as well as assist you at home after your treatment. **IF YOU TAKE BUS / CAB TO APPT YOU MUST HAVE FRIEND / FAMILY COME WITH YOU!**
3. We cannot recommend driving an automobile or operating any type of equipment including household appliances for the afternoon and evening after treatment.
4. **Do not eat or drink** anything **6 hours** prior to your appointment, **this includes chewing gum or mints!** Please take all of your usual medications with a **SIP** of water (unless specifically instructed otherwise)
5. **NOTE:** If you are taking a blood thinner (Coumadin, Warfarin, Plavix, Heparin, Lovenox, Fragmin, Orgaran, Aggrastat, Tyclid) or any injectable blood thinner, please notify our office prior to your procedure for special instructions.

**MEDICATIONS NOT TO TAKE BEFORE APPOINTMENT INCLUDE:**

**PRESCRIPTION BLOOD THINNER - MUST BE OFF FOR ONE WEEK (7-10 DAYS)**

**ASPRIN - MUST BE OFF FOR ONE WEEK**

**BABY ASPRIN OR 80MG ASPRIN - MUST BE OFF THAT MORNING!**

**ANY DIABETIC MEDICINE – MUST BE OFF OF THAT MORNING! CAN TAKE AFTER APPT!**

6. You will receive “relaxation medication” prior to your treatment to make your procedure more comfortable.
7. The treatment takes about 15 – 30 minutes, with an average observation time of about 45 minutes. Your total stay may be up to 2-3 hours.
8. It will usually take at least several days before you feel any improvement from your injection. You should expect some discomfort from the injection for the first 48 hours (or longer).
9. Please **call 214-377-1753** for any changes or questions regarding your appointment.
10. **PLEASE SEE REVERSE FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE INJECTION FACILITY**

**CANCELATION POLICY –**

**APPT NOT CANCELED 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF INJ OR PROCEDURE IS SUBJECT TO A \$25.00 ADDITIONAL FEE!**

