

## Metformin and Your Scan

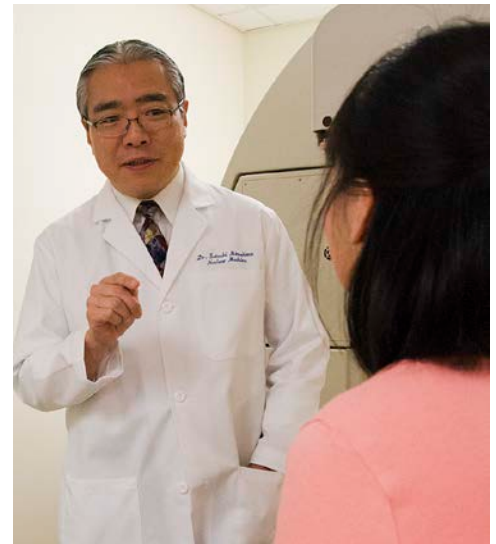
### *Important instructions*

*This handout gives instructions for patients who take medicine that contains metformin and who are having an imaging scan or procedure that uses contrast (X-ray dye).*

Your healthcare provider has recommended that you have a CT scan or other imaging procedure. As part of this procedure, *contrast (X-ray dye)* will be injected into your veins.

For some people, contrast can affect how their kidneys clear a drug called metformin from their body. Some medicines that contain metformin are:

- Fortamet
- Glucophage
- Glucophage XR
- Glumeta
- Riomet



*Please talk with your healthcare provider if you have any questions about your imaging procedure or your medicines.*

**You are receiving this handout because your healthcare provider wants you to stop taking any medicine that contains metformin after your procedure.** This precaution is to protect your kidneys.

### Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns.

Imaging Services:  
206.598.6200

### How soon can I resume taking my medicine?

Your Radiology technologist will remind you to follow up with your healthcare provider to find out when to resume taking your medicine containing metformin.

Please follow the directions your healthcare provider gives you about resuming your medicine.