

<u>Dobutamine Stress Nuclear or Echo</u> Three Village Cardiology

Test Time: Nuclear 3 hours and Echo 1 hour

Preparation: Check with your doctor to find out if any other medications should be held with these tests. You may not be able to take this type of stress test, if you have ASTHMA.

Purpose: This test is identical to an adenosine stress nuclear or stress echo. This test is primarily for patients with moderate to severe asthma. The patient is given increasing amounts of Dobutamine to increase the heart rate. Either nuclear or ultrasound pictures are taken before and after administration of the drug.