Allergy Skin Testing Instructions

Medications

- Persons scheduled for skin testing should not take antihistamines or medications containing antihistamines
 for at least 5 days prior to being tested. Antihistamines are often found in cold or allergy medicines. You
 may continue decongestants, mucous thinners, and most nasal sprays. If you are not sure please ask your
 pharmacist.
- <u>DO NOT</u> Stop Taking Asthma Medications, Inhalers or Drugs For All Other Medical Conditions.
- DO NOT Stop Taking Any of the Medications Given To Treat Hives or Rashes.

Listed below are *some* common antihistamines. Please check the ingredients on the package or ask your pharmacist. Items in lower case are generic drug names.

Actifed CoTylenol PBZ Cyproheptadine Advil PM Pepcid Desloratadine Aleve PM Periactin Allegra, Allegra D Dimetane **Pyrilamine** Ranitidine Allerx Dimetapp Diphenhydramine Rondec Astelin nasal spray Astepro nasal spray Doxepin **Ryaltris** Doxylamine (generic) Semprex D Atarax Tavist, Tavist D Atrohist Dristan **Dymista** Teldrin Azatadine Azelastine Famotidine Trinalin

Benadryl Fexofenadine Tripelennamine
Bromphed Hydroxyzine Triprolidine
Brompheniramine Levocetirizine Tylenol PM
Carbinoxamine Loratadine, loratadine D Unidecon
Cetirizine, cetirizine D Melatonin Unisom (Brand)

ChlorpheniramineMidol (pyrilamine)VistarilChlorTrimetonNolamineXyzalClarinex, Clarinex DNyquilZantac

Claritin, Claritin D Optimine Zyrtec, Zyrtec D

Clemastine Pamprin (pyrilamine) ZzzQuil

Coricidin Patanase nasal spray

- Please have your normal meal or snack prior to testing.
- Wear short sleeves on the day of the testing.
- Do not place lotion on your body the day of the testing.
- Plan on being in the office for 2 hours.
- Patients under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian.
- Siblings being seen on the same day must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian and another adult. Each sibling being tested must have an adult with them and the adult CAN NOT be scheduled for testing at the same time.
- If you have any questions please call the medical message line at 410-760-8840 ext. 5245.

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