

A **sialogram** is an x-ray of the salivary glands that incorporates the injection of dye into the duct of the gland. It is performed in order to study the structures where the saliva is expelled into the mouth.

There is no preparation required for a sialogram and all regular medications may be taken prior to the study.

During the procedure, you will lie on your back. A small plastic tube will be inserted into the opening in your mouth where the saliva normally comes out, and x-ray dye will be injected. X-rays will then be taken to study the form of the gland. The only minor risk involved is slight swelling and tenderness in the gland that was injected.

NOTE: ANY contrast allergy, even if not severe, **MUST**