Unit #49 Tests and Scans

Below is a list of the vocabulary needed to pass this unit with a good score.

adverse
having negative effects
"A lot of medications can have adverse side effects."

antibodies
proteins in the body which protect from foreign matter
"In a healthy immune system, antibodies attack antigens by binding to them."

arteriogram
an x-ray when a dye is used to show arteries
"The arteriogram showed a blockage in one of the arteries."

atraumatic
not causing damage to the tissue
"New atraumatic dental surgery techniques are becoming more popular."

audiogram
a graphic record of a hearing test
"The audiogram showed that hearing problems were present in both ears."

auscultation
listening to sounds inside the body using a stethoscope
"Auscultation is a common practice in diagnosing breathing problems."

cystogram
an x-ray of the bladder
"As the doctor suspected reflux, he ordered a cystogram to confirm his initial diagnosis."

eversion
the process of turning inside out
"The patient reported intense pain during eversion of the left foot."

guaiac test
test to check for blood in stool
"The advantage of the guaiac test over other stool tests is that it can identify even hidden blood."

laparoscopy
a surgical procedure where a tool is inserted into the abdomen
"Patients often report temporary discomfort after a laparoscopy."
lipid tests
tests to measure the level of fat in the blood
"As the results of the lipid tests showed borderline high risk, the doctor recommended repeating the test every month."

lumbar puncture
the procedure of taking fluid from the spine for testing
"Although uncommon, complications can occur from a lumbar puncture."

natal
of or connected to childbirth
"During the consultation, the doctor explained the possible natal complications."

palmar
of or connected to the hand or palm
"The palmar surface displayed unusual sensitivity to heat."

psychogenic
originating from the mind
"It appeared that the symptoms were psychogenic and not based on any physical problem."

pyelogram
an x-ray of the kidney
"Caution should be used when giving a pyelogram to patients with infected urine."

renogram
an x-ray to check kidney function by measuring the speed a dye passes through the kidney
"The results of the renogram showed that kidney function was normal."

serum bilirubin
a blood test to check for liver disorder
"The doctor decided to wait for the results of the serum biilirubin."

stool culture
a test for bacteria in feces
"After receiving confirmation of the diagnosis from the stool culture, antibiotics were prescribed to treat the infection."

tolerance
a decrease in the body’s response to a drug over time
"The dose of the medication had to be increased as the body developed a tolerance to it."