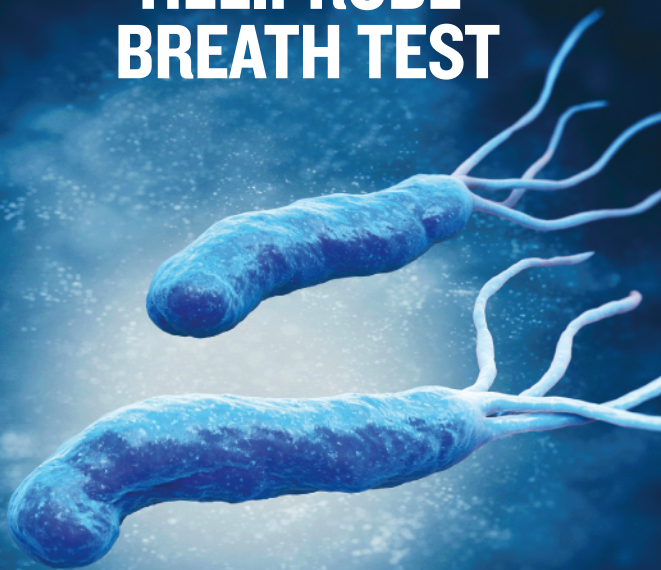




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# HELIPROBE BREATH TEST



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# WHAT IS HELICOBACTER PYLORI?

Helicobacter Pylori is a bacterium, affecting the lining of the stomach and contributing to stomach and duodenal ulceration and occasionally stomach cancer and lymphoma of the stomach.

Heliprobe testing can detect the bacteria and can also be used to test if antibiotic therapy has been successful in eradicating the bacteria. This is usually done 4 weeks after antibiotics are finished. Results will be available on the day of your test.

## WHEN IS HELIPROBE TEST PERFORMED?

Heliprobe can be performed at any time, or to evaluate if Nexium HP7 therapy has been helpful in eradicating the bacteria. The result is available immediately.

## IS IT SAFE?

YES. HELICAP HAS NO KNOWN OR REPORTED SIDE EFFECTS. However it is not recommended for children under 10 years old, pregnant or breast feeding women.

### Instructions for Test

- **Fast for 5 – 6 hours** prior to the test. Nothing at all to eat or drink.
- Not have taken antibiotics for four (4) weeks prior to the test.
- Stop taking acid-reducing treatments such as Losec, Somac, Pariet, Nexium, Zoton for one (1) week before the test.

**You must have a current gp referral for this test so it can be performed and bulk billed to Medicare.**

## LOCATION

**Day:** .....

**Date:** .....

**Time:** .....

**Location:** .....

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## LOCATIONS

**Noble Park North**  
330 Police Road  
Noble Park North