Preparing For Your Life Insurance Paramedical Exam

- 1. Schedule your paramedical exam as soon as possible. Your policy cannot be approved and issued until all medical requirements are complete.
- 2. Notify Exam Company of any past blood draw issues; so the examiner can be prepared and bring a smaller needle if necessary.
- 3. Get a good night's sleep; to ensure the best resting pulse rate.
- 4. Fasting prior to your exam is not necessary. Your laboratory test results will not be affected.
- 5. Stay hydrated and drink plenty of water this will make for an easier blood draw and ability to provide a urine specimen.
- 6. If you are taking prescribed and or over-the-counter medications including vitamins, herbs and supplements, inform the examiner of the type, dosage and frequency of use.
- 7. Avoid drinking alcoholic beverages at least 12 hours prior to exam; it may cause dehydration and liver function test elevations.
- 8. Avoid nicotine or caffeine use at least one hour prior to your exam; stimulants may elevate heart rate.
- 9. Limit salt intake and high cholesterol foods 24 hours prior to your exam; may affect exam results.
- 10. Avoid OTC medication if possible; always take prescriptions per doctors' orders.
- 11. Avoid strenuous physical activities 12 hours before your exam; working out excessively may release protein into the urine and elevate liver function tests.
- 12. Have all medical history available including names, addresses, dates, nature of treatment and phone numbers of all physicians you have been treated by in the past five years.