Quick Reference Medical Terminology

HX- History
DX- Diagnosis
RX- Script
BX- Biopsy
FX- Fracture
PT- Patient
LVM- Left Voice Message
WCB- Will Call Back
LFT- Liver Function test (blood work)
NKA/NKDA- No known allergies/No known drug allergies
KUB- Kidney, Ureter, bladder
SOB- Shortness of breath
ESOPHOGRAM- Barium Swallow
MANDIBLE- Jaw
SCANOGRAM- Leg Length
UGI- Upper Gastrointestinal
DEXA- Bone Density
CORONARY- Major blood vessels that the supply the heart
ENTEROGRAPHY- imaging of small intestine, done with MRI or CT
ANGIOGRAM- Scan that helps reveal the health of blood vessels in different areas of the body
PRN- As needed
DVT- Deep Vein Thrombosis or Blood Clot
IACS- Internal auditory Canal
PVR- Pulse Volume Recording OR Post Void Residual

ABI- Ankle Brachial Index/Indices

MRCP- Test to evaluate the hepatiobiliary and pancreatic systems including Liver, Gallbladder, bile ducts, pancreas and pancreatic duct. Stands for Magnetic Resonance Cholangiopancreatography (Cholangio- bile vessel, Pancreato- Pancreas, Graphy- Image)

HIDA- Imaging to diagnose problems of the liver, gallbladder and bile ducts. Stand for Hepatobiliary Iminodiacetic Acid, also known as a Biliary Scan.

HSG- Can stand for either Hysterosonogram or Hysterosalpingogram. Hysterosonogram is typically used to evaluate the uterus for fibroids. Hysterosalpingogram is typically done for infertility to evaluate the fallopian tubes.

AXILLA- Armpit/under arm

METS- Metastatic. Usually stated when a patient has a current cancer and the Doctor is ruling out the cancer spreading.

R/O- Rule out

MARS- Metal Artifact Reduction Sequence

WARP- Metal artifact reduction- WARP technique allows for improved soft tissue evaluation when patients have metal implants

C with a line over it- WITH contrast

S with a line over it- WITHOUT contrast

HYPERTENSION/HTN- High Blood Pressure

RENAL- Kidney

PO- By Mouth

NPO- Nothing by mouth

THORACIC- Middle portion of the spine

THORAX- Chest

Malignant- Cancer/cancerous

FFR- Fractional Flow Reserve- study ordered to check the severity of narrowing (stenosis) in the coronary arteries

Heartflow- The software used to perform the FFR