Preparing for your Metabolic Test

- 1. **No exercise the entire day of testing.** You should be prepared to rest.
- 2. **You should be fasting for at least four hours prior to testing.** For appointments later in the day, you can eat up to 4 hours of testing. water is allowed during the fasting period.
- 3. **No coffee or stimulants the entire day of testing.**Prescription medications should be taken according to schedule. You can bring a caffeinated beverage with you to drink after the testing is complete if you would like.
- 4. No smoking, vaping, or nicotine products the entire day of testing.

During the Test

- 1. You will be invited to sit or recline in a comfortable position.
- 2. A nose clip will be placed on your nose.
- 3. You will be given a MetaBreather mouthpiece to breathe into. You will be breathing in fresh air from the room, but the gas that you breathe out will go through a tube into the metabolic analyzer to measure your metabolic rate.
- 4. Make a nice seal with your lips around the mouthpiece to ensure that all of the air you exhale will be analyzed.
- 5. Relax. After about 10 minutes the device will beep, indicating it is finished.

