



**CT – ABDOMEN and/or PELVIS**

Patient's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Patients:**  
These are the instructions for your scheduled procedure in our Diagnostic Imaging Department.

**Scheduling**

Your examination has been scheduled for:

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time:** \_\_\_\_\_ **A.M./P.M.**

The above time has been reserved for you. Please arrive 15 minutes early so you can register. When you arrive to register, please follow the guidelines below to know where to sign in:

Admitting/Registration - 6:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.  
Emergency Room Registration - 11:00 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.

**Purpose**

A CT scan is a study utilizing an advanced form of imaging (radiation) to acquire images or detailed pictures of the body part being studied.

**Preparation**

The night before the procedure do not eat or drink after midnight, unless otherwise instructed.

This procedure requires the injection of a contrast agent. You may have heard it referred to as "x-ray dye". If you are diabetic, currently breastfeeding, allergic to shellfish or iodine or have had a previous reaction to contrast agent or "x-ray dye", please inform your physician or the Diagnostic Imaging staff before your procedure by calling the Diagnostic Imaging Department at 606-783-6761.

**Procedure**

When you arrive you will be asked to drink oral contrast material. Your exam will begin 1 hour after drinking the oral contrast material. This hour allows the oral contrast material to move through your stomach and intestines.

When you are brought to the scan room you will be asked to lie on your back on a padded table. An IV will be placed in your arm through which the contrast agent (dye) will be injected. You may feel a brief sensation of warmth, a metallic taste in your mouth, or nausea. These sensations usually pass quickly. The table will move out of the scanner as it scans your abdomen. The scan will take approximately 5-10 minutes.

**Results**

The radiologist will review your exam and a report will be sent to your physician. Your physician will then discuss your results with you. The technologist will be unable to give you any information or interpretation about the results of your exam.

If you have questions concerning your upcoming procedure, please call the Diagnostic Imaging Department at 606-783-6761.