



TOG MRI Center (609) 570-2230

The **TOG MRI Center** is an independent diagnostic imaging center that is owned and operated by Trenton Orthopaedic Group, P.A. The principles of Trenton Orthopaedic Group are Thomas J. Capotosta, MD, John J. DiBiase, MD, Daniel J. Fletcher, MD, William Gomez, MD, Joshua S. Hornstein, MD, Kevin L. Kunkle, MD, Marc J. Levine, MD, Andre J. Pagliaro, MD, Stephen J. Roman, MD, and John R. Schnell, MD.

The **TOG MRI Center** is smoke free ambulatory care facility licensed by the State of New Jersey. Appointment hours are subject to change and are as follows:

Monday	8:15am to 3:00pm
Tuesday	9:15am to 5:00pm
Wednesday	No appointment hours
Thursday	11:15am to 7:00pm
Friday	8:15am to 3:00pm

* Current appointment hours are posted in the Center lobby.

TOG MRI Center participates with numerous insurance carriers and will submit charges for services (according to TOG MRI Center's Fee Schedule) on our patient's behalf to the applicable insurance carrier. Copays, deductibles and co-insurance are due at the time of service. **Fees for services remain the patient responsibility.** Patients will be balanced billed for personal financial responsibilities not met at the time of service or determined through explanation of benefits provided by the insurance carrier. TOG MRI Center's Fee Schedule is available at the registration desk upon request.

Please be advised that Radiology Affiliates Imaging (RAI) Radiologists provide the diagnostic interpretative services. In doing so, for the Federal Insurers of Medicare, Medicaid, and Champus, these Insurers will be billed directly by RAI for their professional services provided. Thus, patient insured by either Medicare, Medicaid, or Champus will receive a 1) Professional component bill (modifier 26) from **RAI** and 2) Facility component (modifier TC) bill from the **TOG MRI Center**. The cumulative payment due from the Federal Insurer and the related patient financial obligation will not exceed the allowable fee schedule for Global Billing. Global Billing bundles together the Professional and Facility portions of the insurance payment. Global Billing, for services will apply for patients insured by plans other than the Federal Insurers of Medicare, Medicaid and Champus.

What is an MRI?

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) produces images of the body's internal structures by passing radio waves through a powerful magnetic field. Differing frequencies of radio waves are produced by the different body structures, in return, and these are mapped and converted into digital images by a computer. MRI is

especially good for imaging soft tissues in the body, including the brain, nerves, muscles and organs.

How do I prepare?

Since you will be positioned within a large, very strong magnet, you must remove all loose metal objects. Doing so is important for your safety as well as that of our staff, and for proper functioning of the equipment. You may be asked to change into a gown unless you are wearing clothing that is metal-free. Some scans require fasting beforehand. You will be instructed if fasting is necessary. Please refer to your script/prep pad for specific fasting instructions.

Please let us know if you have any of the following:

- Cardiac pacemaker
- Artificial heart valve prosthesis
- Eye implants or metal ear implants
- Any metal implants activated electronically, magnetically, or mechanically.
- Aneurysm clips
- Copper 7 IUD
- Penile implant
- Shrapnel or non-removed bullet
- Pregnancy
- Claustrophobia
- Any metal puncture(s) or fragment(s) in the eye

What should I expect?

During an MRI scan, you will lie comfortably on your back on a table that is moved inside a large magnet. A piece of equipment called a "coil," which sends and receives the radio frequency waves used in this technology, will be placed around the area being examined. The exam is painless, but you will need to lie still for the length of the exam. The MRI machine may be noisy, but we will provide listening music. The magnet is located near a window which provides you an outdoor view to calm and relax you as the exam takes place. A normal MRI exam runs anywhere from ½ hour to an hour. It depends on the study ordered by your physician.

Care Questions?

Results of the MRI Study will not be disclosed by the Center. You should schedule an appointment with the physician who referred you for the study to discuss the results. Questions other than results, can be directed to the Center during operational hours. If emergency care is required call 911. Additionally, a TOG on call physician can be reach by calling 609-581-2200.

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