



CT Total Abdomen or Other With IV Contrast

APPOINTMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DATE: _____ TIME: _____ Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time and check in at the registration desk.
HOW LONG THE EXAM WILL TAKE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The exam will take approximately 10 minutes
HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE EXAM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not eat solid foods 4 hours before the exam, but drink plenty of fluids - You may take medications as prescribed. - You may be asked to drink a liquid containing contrast when you arrive - If you are diabetic or you are over the age of 50 you will be asked to get lab work before the exam is done - If you are diabetic and you are taking Metformin, you will be asked to discontinue its use for at least 48 hours and you can resume it with your physician's approval.
PRECAUTIONS YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you think you may be pregnant or if you are breast feeding, please notify your physician or the technologist prior to your exam. - If you are allergic to Iodine notify your technologist.
WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Before the exam you may be asked to have your blood drawn - 3 hours before the exam, you may have contrast that you will be instructed to drink. - The exam will consist of lying on a bed that moves through a scanner. - You will be asked to lie still during the exam and you may be asked to hold your breath for a short period of time. - While you receive the contrast injection, you may have a feeling of warmth - Please feel free to ask the technologist any questions you may have before the beginning of the exam.
HOW DO YOU GET TEST RESULTS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Radiologist will study the images and a report will be sent to your physician, after which they will discuss the results with you. Should you not hear from your physician within 2 business days, please give them a call to schedule a follow up appointment.
QUESTIONS?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you have any questions or concerns about your appointment, please call Radiology at (660) 831-3286.

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