

Patient information

Contrast Ultrasound Examination Appointment Details

Radiology Department

If you suffer from angina or a heart or lung condition please contact the Appointment office as soon as you receive this letter on

Tel: 0151 706 2759.

Text phone number: 18001 0151 706 2759

Before your examination

There is no preparation for this examination. You may eat and drink normally and continue all your medication as normal.

What is a Contrast Ultrasound Examination?

An Ultrasound scan is a way of producing detailed pictures of the body, using sound waves instead of X-rays. A colourless fluid known as an Ultrasound contrast agent is injected into a vein in your arm. It is carried out by an Ultrasonographer and a Radiologist (a doctor specialising in Ultrasound).

Any alternative treatments or procedures will have been discussed at your initial consultation with your referring practitioner.

What are the benefits of this procedure?

This procedure will help us to make the correct diagnosis so you will be able to get the correct treatment.

The procedure is relatively quick and painless.

What are the risks of this procedure?

You may experience a headache or some pain at the site of the injection. This should only last for a short time.

If you are worried about these risks, please speak to your consultant or a member of their team.

The examination

You will be required to change into a hospital gown. There is no need to remove your jewellery, glasses, contact lenses or false teeth.

You will then be escorted to the ultrasound room. You will be asked to lie on an examination couch.

The Radiologist will explain what happens. The Radiologist will then give you an injection into a vein, like a blood test.

A small amount of gel will be spread over the part of your body to be examined. This gel allows the ultrasound scan to take place. The examination will take between 15 and 30 minutes.

After the examination

You will be asked to remain in the department for about 30 minutes after the injection.

There are usually no after effects from this examination and you can return to work and drive if required.

Results

Your results will be sent back to the doctor who requested this examination. This usually takes between seven and ten days.

Cancellations

If you are unable to keep this appointment, please let us know as soon as possible and we will arrange another appointment for you.

If you fail to cancel and do not attend you will be discharged back to the care of the referring clinician.

Transport

If your medical condition or mobility needs mean that you cannot get to your appointment any other way and you require transport you should ring the Patient Transport Services (PTS) who will arrange one for you. Tel: 0151 706 4676 Text phone number: 18001 0151 706 4676

Car parking

Car parking for visitors and patients is available at the Q-Park multi-storey car park. Vehicle entry to the car park is on Epworth Street which is off Erskine Street. The car park is open 24 hours a day seven days a week and charges apply. The car park is continually monitored by CCTV and parking attendants.

There are disabled spaces located within the car park. If you require help with parking ask a parking host at the car park entrance. There is a bus shuttle service for patients with mobility problems which operates Monday to Friday 8.45am to 4.45pm from Q-Park to the Royal Liverpool Hospital.

Further information

Please bring this leaflet with you when you attend the ultrasound department, which is located within the main X-ray department at the Royal Liverpool Hospital.

Feedback

Your feedback is important to us and helps us influence care in the future.

Following your discharge from hospital or attendance at your outpatient appointment you will receive a text asking if you would recommend our service to others.

Please take the time to text back, you will not be charged for the text and can opt out at any point. Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Further Information

If you have any further questions, or require further information, please contact the Appointments office

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