

Appointment Date: _____ **Time:** _____

LOCATION:

- Aultman Main Hospital:** 2600 6th St. SW, Canton, 330-363-6364
- Aultman North:** 6100 Whipple Ave. NW, North Canton, 330-363-9507
- Aultman Massillon:** 2021 Wales Ave. NE, Massillon, 330-834-4228
- Aultman Carrollton:** 1020 Trump Road, Carrollton, 330-363-5890

DEPARTMENT: Imaging Services (Radiology)

SUMMARY OF THE EXAM

CT scan is a medical imaging procedure that uses computerized X-rays to show “slices” of specific areas of the body. A rotating X-ray unit is used to take pictures, then a computer stacks and assembles the pictures. This allows the doctor to view the organs within the body.

Aultman’s CT offers an advanced technology that reduces the patient radiation exposure by up to 40%.

WHAT TO EXPECT

You will be asked to remove jewelry or clothing that may interfere with the exam. You may be given oral or IV contrast before the exam. You will be asked to lie flat on the CT scanner table. Next, the table will slide into a large circular scanner. You must remain completely still and hold your breath at various times through the exam while the scanner is rotating around you.

The CT tech will be just outside the CT scanning suite behind a large glass window. They will watch you closely and be able to communicate with you at all times.

CONTRAST

If your exam has been ordered with oral contrast, please arrive 1.5 hours prior to the scheduled exam time. You will need to drink the oral contrast within 30 minutes if possible. After finishing the contrast, you will not be able to have anything to eat or drink until after the exam. If you have any questions about contrast, please call CT at 330-363-6364.

If you have had a past allergic reaction to CT contrast, you will need to be pre-medicated before the exam. Please contact the doctor that ordered your test for your medication.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Please bring a written order from your doctor to the exam.
- Please bring a complete list of all your medications.
- Please bring a driver's license or other photo ID.
- Please arrive one-and-a-half hours prior to your scheduled time if contrast is ordered, or 15 minutes prior to your scheduled time if not contrast is ordered.
- You may be required to read and sign exam consent forms. If reading glasses are needed, please bring them with you.

NOTE: Blood work should always be drawn before X-rays are performed. If you are having blood work, please arrive early and inform the outpatient lab you have a radiology appointment. Please arrive on time for your radiology exam.

LENGTH OF EXAM

Although the exam will take about 20 minutes, plan to be in the department *about two hours if oral contrast is ordered, or one hour if it is not ordered.*

AFTER THE EXAM

You should expect to receive the results of your exam at your next health care provider appointment (if scheduled), or they will be available on the Aultman Patient Portal after being interpreted by a radiologist. Please call your healthcare provider if you do not receive your results.

QUESTIONS PRIOR TO YOUR TEST

Call CT department at 330-363-6364 weekdays between 6:30 a.m. – 11 p.m. or weekends between 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. for any questions about your test.

SCHEDULING AND REGISTRATION

Pre-registration is required for an accurate medical record and proper billing. You may be contacted by a patient access representative if we need any information. If you have questions or need to schedule or reschedule your exam, please call 330-363-6288 or 1-800-837-0440 Monday – Friday between 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. All exams require a written order from your physician.

HOSPITAL PARKING

Free visitor parking is available in Lot 3 across from the Bedford Building. Enter from 6th Street. Deck parking is available on 7th Street for a fee based on your length of stay.

DIRECTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT

Imaging Services/Radiology (7th Street deck parking is the closest parking) is located on the ground level of the main hospital. From the main hospital lobby, take the elevators to the ground level. After exiting the elevator, turn to your left and you will see the check-in desk.

NORTH, MASSILLON, CARROLLTON DIRECTIONS: Park in the main lot in front of the building. Report to the receptionist area, sign in on the kiosk (iPad) and have a seat. The registration receptionist will call you to the desk.