

GENERAL ULTRASOUND



Ultrasound of: _____

Appointment Date: _____ Time: _____

LOCATION:

- Aultman Main Hospital:** 2600 6th St. SW, Canton
- Aultman North:** 6100 Whipple Ave. NW, North Canton
- Aultman Massillon:** 2021 Wales Ave. NE, Massillon
- Aultman Carrollton:** 1020 Trump Road, Carrollton

DEPARTMENT: Imaging Services

SUMMARY OF THE EXAM

Ultrasound uses high-frequency sound waves to make pictures of organs and tissues inside the body. During the exam, the sonographer uses a small hand-held probe called a transducer to scan the area of the body to be examined. The transducer sends sound waves through the body and collects “echoes” as they bounce off the organs and tissues. Because ultrasound uses sound waves, there is no radiation exposure.

WHAT TO EXPECT

You will be asked to lie down on a cart. The sonographer will apply warm gel to the area of your body to be examined. The gel lets the transducer move smoothly over the skin. The ultrasound images will be visible on a monitor and will be recorded for the radiologist and/or physician to review.

GENERAL 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.

OTHER SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Ultrasound waves are disrupted by air or gas but travel easily through liquid. Therefore, some exams have certain requirements:

Abdominal (gallbladder, liver, pancreas) and aorta ultrasound

- Eat a fat-free dinner the night before your exam.

- Do not have anything to eat or drink after midnight or for at least eight hours before your exam.

Renal ultrasound

- You will need to have a full bladder and should not urinate for one hour before your exam.

Obstetrical/pregnancy or pelvic ultrasound

- You will need to have a full bladder. Please drink 32 ounces of clear liquid one and a half hours before your exam and do not urinate until the exam is completed.

LENGTH OF EXAM: Plan on being in the department for about 45 minutes to one hour.

AFTER THE EXAM: You may eat, drink and urinate as desired after the test.

QUESTIONS PRIOR TO YOUR TEST

Call 330-363-6205 weekdays between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. or weekends between 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. for any questions about your test.

You can expect to receive the results of your exam at your next health care provider appointment (if scheduled) or within 10 days of your exam. Please call your health care provider if you do not receive your results.

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. and 5 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. Valet parking is available at the 7th Street and Bedford Building entrances for a fee – or free if you are a handicapped motorist. Deck parking is available on 7th Street for a fee based on your length of stay.

DIRECTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT

Imaging Services (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, ~~WEST, 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.