

CT SCAN – ABDOMEN

ABOUT CT SCANS

CT scan or computed tomography scan is a medical imaging technique used in radiology to get detailed images of the body noninvasively for diagnostic purposes. Different parts of the body block x-rays by different amounts. Therefore, by measuring the strength of the x-rays after they have passed through your body, a computer can construct a three-dimensional picture of your internal organs, muscles, and bones. You will lie down on a bed, which slides into a short imaging tube. If you need intravenous contrast, the technologist will administer it a few seconds before the scan begins. You may need to hold your breath for ten to fifteen seconds during your scan. Unlike with MRI, there is no risk associated with metal implants.

INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO CT ABDOMEN

1. NPO 4 Hours Prior to Exam

- No food or water (unless your exam is with IV contrast, then water is recommended)

OTHER INFORMATION

Your healthcare provider should have the results from your exam within 24-48 hours of having the exam completed.

The results will be automatically faxed to your physician's office once the exam has been read by our radiologists.

If you have any additional questions, please contact our staff at (845) 220-2222.

Appointment Location: _____

Appointment Date & Time: _____