



**Ultrasound Examination
PATIENT INFORMATION
ABDOMINAL/PELVIC SCAN**

Please follow these instructions carefully as the success of your examination may depend on adequate preparation.

Do not have anything to eat for 6 hours before your examination. It is essential that your examination is carried out with a full bladder. Drink 2 pints of water or squash 1 hour before your appointment. Refrain from drinking tea, coffee or milk.

Please inform us if you are diabetic, so an earlier appointment can be arranged for you.

Continue all medication as normal

What does the examination involve?

You will be asked to lie on the examination table and the procedure will be explained to you. Ultrasound gel is applied to the part of the body to be examined. The ultrasound transducer is then placed on the area to be scanned and gently moved in order to get the required image to make a diagnosis.

How long does the examination take?

The whole procedure usually takes 10-20 minutes. Occasionally, especially if the bladder is not sufficiently filled, you may be asked to drink more water and then wait until the bladder fills. More images can then be taken.

How do I get results?

A written report will be sent to your G.P. or Consultant within the week.