

You have an appointment in the Ultrasound Department at St. Paul's Hospital.

Date: _____ **Time:** _____

Please arrive 15 minutes early. This gives you time to check in. Please bring with you photo identification and your BC CareCard (personal health number).

Please do not bring your children with you unless you bring someone to care for them while you are having the test.

If you are not able to keep your appointment, please call **604-806-8161** as soon as possible. Please give us at least 24 hours notice so we can use your time for someone else. When you call, we will give you another date and time for your test.

Things you need to know

You do not need to do anything special to prepare for this test.

What do I need to do before the test?

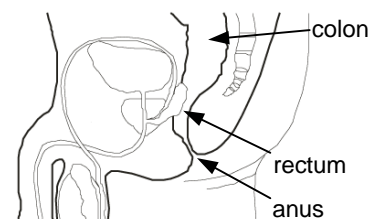
★ Please let us know if you are allergic to latex ★

We ask you to change into a hospital gown and take off your underpants. Please keep your clothing and personal things with you.

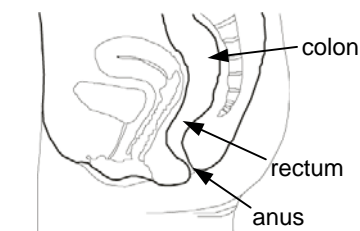
You may have a short wait before we can take you into the exam room.

What happens during the test?

- We ask you to lie on your left side.
- During the test, the doctor gently inserts an ultrasound probe (special camera) into your rectum (pronounced rek-tum). The ultrasound probe looks like a small, thin tube.
- The doctor then moves the probe to take ultrasound pictures of the anal canal and sphincter muscle.
- The test lasts about five minutes and then the doctor takes out the ultrasound probe.
- You can use one of our washrooms if you need to clean up.
- You can then put your clothes back on and go home.



Male cross-section



Female cross-section

How do I get the results of my test?

We send your ultrasound test results to your doctor as soon as possible. If your doctor does not have your results within two weeks, please ask your doctor to contact us.

Questions I have:
