

CT ABDOMEN AND PELVIS

Patient's Name: _____

You have an appointment in the Radiology Department on:

Date: _____ Time: _____

Note to Outpatients:

Please arrive 15 minutes early to allow for registration. If you are unable to keep the appointment, please call St. Paul's at 604-806-8071 or Mt. St. Joseph's at 604-877-8323 with at least 24 hours notice to cancel or rebook your test for another day. Childcare is not available in the department.

For Your Information

Introduction

Your Doctor has asked for a CT of your abdomen and/or pelvis. Depending on what the doctor is looking for you may be given an oral contrast to drink. This highlights your bowels. You may also be given an injection of IV contrast in your arm, to highlight your blood vessels and internal organs.

Procedure

You will be asked to lie on a table and be given some breathing instructions. You will need to hold your breath for up to 20 seconds. During the injection you may feel warm and get a metallic taste in your mouth. The test takes 5-30 minutes.

Preparation

- Oral contrast to drink
- IV in arm
- Patient will wear a hospital gown.

Results

We send your 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.

*** Please inform the technologist if you have any allergies or may be pregnant. ***