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### **What is an Ultrasound?**

An ultrasound scan is a medical test that uses high-frequency sound waves to capture live images from the inside of your body. It's also known as sonography. An ultrasound allows your doctor to see organs, vessels, and tissues without needing to make an incision.

In order to see these images a thin layer of gel is applied to over the skin and then cleaned off after the examination.

Ultrasound used for diagnostic imaging is not harmful and there are no ill effects caused by this examination, you will be able to return home or to work afterwards.

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### **How long does an ultrasound take?**

Once you are in the room the examination will take approximately 30 minutes, sometimes longer depending on the area that needs to be examined.

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### **Who conducts my ultrasound?**

A university-trained sonographer who is accredited with the Australian Sonographer Accreditation Registry (ASAR) will conduct your ultrasound.

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### **What if I'm on medication?**

Ultrasound does not affect any medication, so please continue to use any medication prescribed for you.

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### **When do I get the results?**

The results of your ultrasound scan can take up to 1 day to be finalised. You will be advised when to pick up your images and report for your follow up with your doctor.

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### **What documents do I need?**

Please bring your referral and any prior scans and reports as this will assist the radiologist in assessing your condition.

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### **How do I make an appointment?**

You can call our clinic directly on 02 8760 9100 to book in an appointment, walk-ins are also welcome but a waiting period could occur.

