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NUCLEAR MEDICINE LIVER/SPLEEN COLLOID SCAN

Your appointment

Date:

Time:

Patient Preparation:
Nil.

Time for Examination:
1.5 hours.

Please Bring:
**All previous Imaging including
Nuclear Medicine Scans, X-
rays, US, CT and MRI studies.**

Location:

**Calvary Hospital
X-Ray Department
89 Strangways Tc
North Adelaide SA 5006**

Parking:

Free on-street parking is available (1hour, 2 hour and all day). Please take note of parking time limits as this area is patrolled by council.

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Your doctor has recommended that you have a Nuclear Medicine Liver/Spleen Colloid Scan. While there is no specific preparation for this study, the following will give you some idea of what to expect at your appointment:

To begin the study you will be given a small injection of a radioactive medication into a vein (usually in your arm). There are no side effects to the injection and it will not interfere with any medications you may be taking. Your images will be taken approximately 20 minutes after injection and you will be asked to wait in the waiting room during this time.

Imaging is a very simple procedure. You will be lying on a scanning bed and a large camera will be used to take pictures of your liver from different angles. You will not feel anything as your pictures are taken and you may breathe normally throughout. Please allow up to 1 hour for imaging.

This study is unsuitable for pregnant women. Breast-feeding mothers can have a Nuclear Medicine Liver/Spleen Colloid Scan but will be required to express and discard their breast milk for 6 hours after the injection. Patients who will be the primary care-giver to children under five on the day of the test, are encouraged to maintain a certain distance (around 1 metre) from the children where possible. This is not essential but is recommended in the 12 hours following injection, to avoid very young children being exposed to small amounts of radioactivity unnecessarily.

**For more information please contact:
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