

Preparing for Your Computed Tomography (CT) Scan



Radiology Check-In

When you come for your procedure you will check in on the 3rd floor at this desk.



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Radiology Waiting Area

You can play here while you wait for your name to be called.

There is no food or drink allowed in this area.



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Who can come with me?



A tech will come get you from the waiting room. One parent or caregiver can come with you to the procedure room. Your brothers, sisters and other family have to wait in the waiting room.



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Hospital Clothes



For your pictures, you might have to change into hospital clothes. These clothes won't get in the way of the CT pictures.



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What should I bring?



Do you have a favorite stuffed animal, blanket, music player, or another comfort item? You can bring it with you in the CT room.

Patient Observation Area

If you need an IV for your pictures, this is the room you will go to first.



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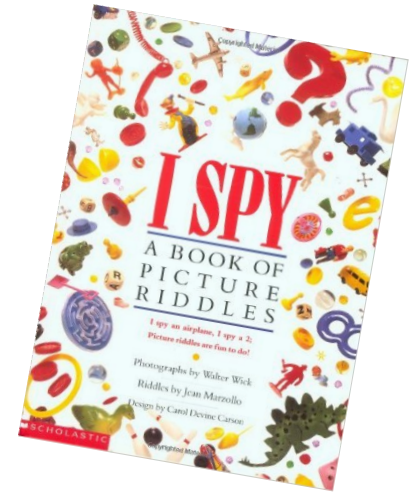
Computed Tomography (CT) Room

A tech will help you get comfortable on the exam table and put on a seatbelt. Then the table will go up and your pictures will start.



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Child Life Specialist



Some kids choose to have distraction during their procedures. Child Life can be requested while scheduling your appointment.

A Child Life Specialist can provide comfort, coping, and education about the procedure in child friendly language.



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Your Job



Your job during your pictures is to hold still, like a statue!
Some kids pretend like they are playing freeze tag. Your
parent/caregiver can stay in the room with you.



Sounds



The camera makes a sound when it takes your pictures. Some kids say it sounds like a washing machine or a race track. Nothing will touch you during your pictures.



Special Picture Water

Some kids need special picture water called contrast. The contrast goes through your IV and makes your belly feel warm. Some kids even feel like they are peeing their pants, but you won't pee!



All Done



After the test is done, the tech will show you the way out.

Questions?



Remember this is your body, and if you have any questions you can always ask your family or the hospital workers. We are all here to help!



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