
Procedure Title: **Pelvic Ultrasound (Female) Exam**

Patient Name: _____

Appointment Time:

When: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Where: You will report to the admitting office (main hospital entrance). Then report to Radiology. Someone from Ultrasound will be with you as soon as possible.

Purpose : This test uses sound waves to take images of your pelvis including the uterus and ovaries. This scan is safe and painless. There is no radiation involved.

Preparation: Patients need to have a full bladder for this examination. You will need to drink approximately 32 ounces of fluids 1 hour prior to your scheduled test time. Do not empty your bladder before this exam.

Procedure: This examination usually takes about 45 minutes. A water-based gel will be applied over the pelvic area. A plastic device called a transducer will be moved over your pelvis to obtain the necessary images for the Radiologist.

If an adequate study cannot be obtained this way, another type of ultrasound may need to be performed. This is called a transvaginal ultrasound. For this exam you will need to empty your bladder. Your pants and underwear will need to be removed. You will be covered with a sheet. A special ultrasound probe covered with a sheath will then be inserted into the vagina to obtain images. This test is usually similar to a pelvic exam done in a physicians office.

After Care: You may resume all normal activities after the test. Follow up with your attending physician to discuss results. Results usually are available to the physician in 2 business days.

Please call (812) 254-8851 to talk with one of the Ultrasound Technologists if you have any questions.

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