
Procedure Title: **Echocardiogram**

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 the heart. This scan is safe and painless. There is no radiation involved.

Preparation: There is no prep for this examination.

Procedure: This examination usually takes about 45 minutes. A water-based gel will be applied over the front and left sides of your chest. Electrodes will be placed on your chest similar to an EKG. A plastic device called a transducer will be moved over your chest to obtain the necessary images for the cardiologist. You will hear sounds during this examination. This will be blood flowing through the heart. This is normal.

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 3 to 5 business days. Please call (812) 254-8851 to talk with one of the Ultrasound Technologists if you have any questions.

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