MRI for Cardiac Device Patients

PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET MR06

Your appointment:

Date: .....

Time: .....

Location: .....

Please see our website for more clinic details.

Please bring with you:

- Your request form
- Medicare and any
- Healthcare cards

Payment on the day of the examination is requested.

For more information regarding Benson Radiology please visit:

bensonradiology.com.au

Pre-scan procedure

When you arrive for your appointment, you will be asked to complete an MRI Safety Questionnaire to ensure it is safe for you to proceed with the scan.

In some cases, a chest Xray may be required to confirm the position and integrity of your cardiac device.

You will be asked to change into a gown and remove your watch and certain jewellery.

All valuables will be safely stored in the change room.

Device programming

Before your examination begins, a qualified Cardiac Device Technician will temporarily program your cardiac device into MRI mode. This is essential to ensure your device functions safely during the examination and preventing interference from the MRI machines.

Please note: While your device is in MRI mode, you may notice a difference in your heart rate. This is normal and will be carefully monitored throughout the examination.

Pre-scan procedure

A radiographer will assist in positioning you comfortably on the MRI table.

Due to the loud noise produced by the MRI machine, you will be given headphones and can choose a radio station to listen to during the scan. A call buzzer will be placed in your hand, allowing you to alert the radiographer at any time if needed.

Your heart rate and oxygen levels will be continuously monitored using a pulse oximeter, which will be placed on your finger. You may also be given oxygen for the duration of the examination if it is deemed necessary.

After the examination

The images will be reviewed and reported by our radiologist. These will then be sent to your referring clinician. For details on reporting timeframes, please speak with our reception staff. It is important that you follow up the results of your examination with your referring clinician.

It is important you understand why and how we will be assisting you. If you have any questions, please call one of our clinics or speak to our staff on the day of your visit.

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