

CT Scans

A Closer Look

A CT scan is a computerized X-ray that produces cross-sectional pictures of the head or body.

You will be placed on a narrow table which will move you slowly through the scanner. During this time a sequence of pictures are taken. It is important to be very still and hold your breath when asked to do so.

Some CT scans require an injection of a contrast media. This helps create a better picture of the body part that is being scanned. Other scans require drinking a special liquid before being scanned.



Where Is The CT Scan Done?

Unity Hospital has a specially equipped room for our CT Scan services located in the Radiology department. A registered radiologic technologist will perform the procedure.

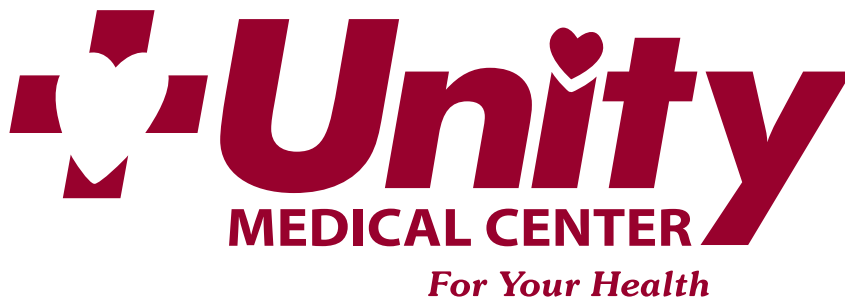
How Will I Find Out The Results Of My CT Scan?

Your scan will be read by a radiologist and a report will go to your doctor. Your doctor will discuss the results with you and decide if any further testing or treatment will be necessary.

*See reverse for
more information.*

SPECIAL NOTE

If you are pregnant, suspect you might be pregnant or if you have allergies, it is important to let your doctor and technologist know prior to the exam.



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Preparations For Your CT Scan

Do not eat or drink anything after midnight before your scheduled appointment, unless advised otherwise by the X-ray department.

No preparation is required. If you have had X-rays of the area being scanned, please bring them with you at the time of scan.

You will receive a preparation package with complete instructions to follow. You will be required to drink a contrast material.

Your _____ CT Scan Has Been Scheduled For:

Date & Time: _____

Special Instructions: _____

On the day of your exam, please register at the front desk of Unity Hospital.