

MRI REQUEST FORM



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PLEASE FAX OR EMAIL REFERRAL TO HIGH ST XRAY, HIGH ST XRAY WILL CALL PATIENT TO MAKE APPOINTMENT

Surname:		Given Name:	
Address:			
Phone: (H)		(M):	DOB: / /
Circle if applicable: DVA / WC / TAC		Male ☐ Female ☐	Weight: kg

CLINICAL INFORMATION

PLEASE INDICATE AREA OR REGIONS TO BE EXAMINED

 Brain	 Cervical Spine	 MRCP	 Brachial Plexus	 Hip
 Pituitary	 Thoracic Spine	 Abdomen	 Shoulder	 Knee
 Orbits	 Lumbar Spine	 Aorta	 Elbow	 Ankle
 IAC	 Sacrum	 Pelvis	 Wrist	 Foot
 MRA / MRV	 Soft Tissue Neck	 Other	 Hand	 Other

CLINICAL DETAILS

Please indicate eGFR if known

Date: / / eGFR:

MRI SAFETY – ANSWERS ARE MANDATORY

Has the patient now or ever had:	Yes/No
An implanted pacemaker / pacing wire or defibrillator?	☐ / ☐
A cerebral aneurysm clip?	☐ / ☐
A cochlear or stapes implant?	☐ / ☐
Any metallic foreign bodies in the eyes?	☐ / ☐
Any metallic implants?	☐ / ☐
Is the patient pregnant or breastfeeding?	☐ / ☐

REFERRER DETAILS

Name:	Copies To:
Address:	
Date: / / Provider#	
Doctor's Signature:	

Your doctor has recommended you see High St Xray. You may choose another provider but please discuss with your doctor first.

What is MRI?

Magnetic Resonance Imaging, or MRI, is a painless, non-invasive test that uses a powerful magnetic field, radio waves, an antenna and a computer to produce highly detailed images of the body.

Is MRI Safe?

MRI is considered a very safe imaging technique and has no known side effects, however, due to limited research in the area of pregnancy and MRI exposure, it may be inadvisable to undergo an MRI scan whilst pregnant. Unlike X-rays and CT scans, MRI does not use ionising radiation to produce its images. Instead, the powerful magnet and radio-waves manipulate tiny magnetic fields already existing within you to produce a signal which creates highly detailed images of any part of the body.

Before you scan:

You will be asked to complete an MRI Safety Questionnaire to ensure it is safe for you to go near the very strong magnet and to have the scan. Not everyone can undergo MRI as some medical implants interact poorly within the scanner and may result in harm. You will be unable to undergo an MRI exam if you have a pacemaker or pacing wires, a defibrillator, a neurostimulator, certain types of brain aneurysm clips or a cochlear implant. Before your MRI exam can begin, the MRI Radiographer will explain the procedure and thoroughly review your MRI Safety Questionnaire with you to ensure your absolute safety.

Due to the safety aspects of the strong magnetic field used and to help keep the MRI environment metal free, please wear clean, metal free clothing to your appointment (ie, no metal zips, studs, or embellishments). You may be asked to change into a hospital gown. You will be required to remove all jewellery, hairpins, hearing aids and metallic dentures before your scan.

During the scan:

An MRI exam consists of a number of different scans, lasting 1-5 minutes each, with an average exam taking about 20 minutes to complete. Generally, you will be positioned on a special bed, lying on your back with some equipment (an antenna) placed around the body part we are scanning.

The scanner is noisy, You will hear a loud knocking noise, similar to the noise of a jackhammer, while the pictures are being acquired. You will be given earplugs or headphones to wear during the scan to protect your hearing. As movement can degrade the images, you will be asked to remain still for the duration of the exam.

Some exams require the injection of an MRI contrast medium (Gadolinium) to enhance the tissues in your body. If required, this will be discussed with you prior to the injection. Gadolinium is extremely safe and it is rare for anyone to feel anything other than the small needle that goes into your vein. You will be able to carry out all your normal activities immediately after your MRI scan.

After the scan:

Your exam will be reviewed by a Radiologist. Both the report and images will be forwarded to your doctor. You will need to make an appointment to see your referring doctor or healthcare professional to receive your results.