

Patient Information

Having a CT Scan (Easy Read)



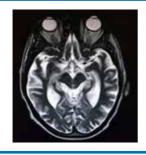
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What is a CT scan?



CT scans take pictures of the inside of your body.



CT scans are done at the hospital.



This is a CT machine.

When you arrive at the hospital



Go to the Medical Imaging (X-ray) Department. Hospital staff can help you find it.



Tell the person at X-ray reception your name and when your birthday is.



You will sit in the waiting room. Hospital staff will call your name when it is your turn.



You may be taken to a changing room to put on a hospital gown.

What will happen?



The Radiographer who is the person that takes your pictures will take you into the CT room for your scan.



The Radiographer will ask about your health before the scan starts. Sometimes a dye injection is used to show the insides of your body more clearly.

What will happen next?



You will lie down on the table.



Keep still.



The table will move slowly in and out of the scanner. It is OK.



The scan does not hurt, and nothing will touch you.

What happens now?



The CT scan does not take long. Most patients are only in the room for 15 minutes.



Hospital staff can see you and talk to you from another room.



Hospital staff will tell you when the scan has finished.



Your doctor will explain the results to you.

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