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## Thyroid Scan

**How long will the whole scan take?**

**The scan takes approx 1 hrs**

**Patient Preparation**

**If you are currently taking medication for your thyroid please contact the friendly staff for your special instructions**

**If you are not on any thyroid medication there is no preparation required**

**If you have had a CT scan in the previous 4-6 weeks please advise the staff when you are making your booking as this will affect the scan**

**If you have any films or other test results related to the scan please bring them with you**

**If there is any chance you could be pregnant or are breast feeding please inform the staff when making the booking**

**What will happen?**

**When you arrive you will be interviewed and given information related to your scan**

**You will be given a small injection of tracer into a vein - usually in your arm.**

**The injection will not have any effect on you but you will need to wait 20 minutes before some images are taken.**

**You will need to lie on your back to have images taken for approx 20 minutes**

**Results**

**Your results will be made available to you after the Nuclear Medicine Doctor has reviewed your scan and reported on the images. This will be available on the same day as your scan.**

**After the Scan**

**You can carry on with normal activity after the scan you will not notice any after effects from the scan.**

**Questions**

**If you have any further questions please ask our friendly staff when making your appointment**