


EXAM: ULTRASOUND PROSTATE Imaging Department 330-596-7700 Scheduling 330-596-7187	
INDICATIONS:	If you have questions specific to your diagnosis please contact your physician.
CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND PRECAUTIONS:	None
HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE? WHERE SHOULD I GO?	Exam should take between 20-30 minutes. Please remember to allow time for registration and other paperwork. Most likely you will be preregistered and you can go directly to the Imaging Department. When you enter the front of the hospital, located on State Street you will go past the waterfall down the main hallway. After you cross the second circular hall intersection, the Imaging comfort area is the first door to the right.
PREPARATION:	Imaging staff will need to have the results of the most recent PSA testing. Patient should drink 32 ounces of water prior to the exam time. If the patient was given an order (prescription) for the exam they must have that with them at the time of the exam.
MEDICATION ISSUES:	Take medication as usual.
WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT:	During the exam there will be a gel placed on your skin in order to create an image. For certain areas the ultrasonographer will need to apply more pressure than others. You may be asked to hold your breath for short periods of time. It is sometimes necessary to do a rectal ultrasound to obtain better images of the prostate. During this portion of the exam a special ultrasound wand covered with plastic is introduced into the anal/rectal canal. If your doctor feels this is necessary he/she may give the patient suppositories to use to cleanse the rectum 2-4 hours prior to the exam. If you have any questions you may call the Imaging Department at 330-596-7700. To change your appointment call scheduling at 330-596-7187.