



Experience Health Caring **EXAM: Ductogram**

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| INDICATIONS: | If you have specific questions you should ask your physician. This procedure is to evaluate the duct system of the breast. It can be used to evaluate breasts with abnormal nipple discharge or duct obstructions. |
| CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND PRECAUTIONS: | Please be sure to let your physician and Women’s Imaging staff know about any allergies, especially to iodine, blue dyes or any lidocaine and numbing products. |
| HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE? WHERE SHOULD I GO? | You should expect that the complete process is about 60-90 minutes with paperwork. Most likely you will be preregistered and you can go directly to the Women’s Imaging Center. 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 first circular hall intersection, the Women’s Imaging comfort area is the first door to the right. |
| PREPARATION: | Patient should wear no deoderant, lotions or perfumes the day of the exam. Patient needs an order (prescription) for the exam and they must have that with them at the time of the exam. If this exam is being done prior to a surgical procedure the patient should have nothing to eat or dring after midnight. |
| MEDICATION ISSUES: | Try to avoid caffeine 3-4 days prior to your breast procedure as this may affect your breast tissue. |
| WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT: | The area will be numbed for patient comfort and a needle device will be inserted into the nipple. Then a contrast agent will be injected into the duct system of the breast. If the patient has any questions they may call the Women’s Imaging department at 330-596-7710. To change the appointment call 330-596-7187. |