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EXAM: Ultrasound Abdomen

INDICATIONS:	If questions specific to your diagnosis please contact your physician. This exam will help to evaluate the liver, gallbladder, pancreas, and spleen.
CONTRA-INDICATIONS AND PRECAUTIONS:	None.
HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE? WHERE SHOULD I GO?	The exam itself will take between 20-30 minutes. Please 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:	Fat free dinner the night before the exam. Nothing to eat or drink after midnight. If they are also for a pelvic ultrasound the only thing they are allowed is the required amount of water for the exam. If being scheduled with an UGI the Ultrasound is to be scheduled first. 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. 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.