

CT Preparations

CT Abdomen

Patients need to come by the imaging center to pick up 2 bottles of oral contrast no later than the day before the procedure. Drink 1 bottle of contrast the evening before the procedure and then 1 bottle of contrast 1 hour prior to the procedure.

Patients with a **morning appointment** need to have nothing to eat or drink after midnight. Patients with an **afternoon appointment** are to have nothing to eat or drink 6 hours prior to the appointment time.

CT Pelvis

The preparation is the same as the **CT Abdomen**. The patient should be aware that during the procedure they receive an **enema** that will help the radiologist view the colon.

CT Abdomen (Stone Protocol)

No preparation.

CT Angiography

Nothing to eat or drink 4 hours prior to the procedure.

CT Head

There is no preparation unless contrast is ordered. If contrast is used, patient needs to have nothing to eat or drink 4 hours prior to procedure.

CT Chest

There is no preparation unless contrast is ordered. If contrast is used, patient needs to have nothing to eat or drink 4 hours prior to procedure.

CT Neck

There is no preparation unless contrast is ordered. If contrast is used, patient needs to have nothing to eat or drink 4 hours prior to procedure.

CT Sinus

No preparation.

BUN/Creatinine required for patients 50 years of age and older done within the last 15 days.

BUN/Creatinine required within the past 48 hours for patients on chemotherapy or taking medication for diabetes or who have renal disease or insufficiency of any type.

*** Please take ALL of your prescription medications as prescribed with a small amount of water.**