

# Emory Radiology

## Ultrasound Patient Preparation Instructions



- These are preparation instructions for adult patients (16+).
- For pediatric patients under the age of 16, please call Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at 404-785-6078 or after hours at 404-785-6117.
- For maps and directions to Emory Radiology sites, please call 404-778-7777 or visit us online at [www.emoryhealthcare.org/radiology](http://www.emoryhealthcare.org/radiology).

### Pre-Registration:

Patients may need to pre-register for radiology exams or procedures. Please call the appropriate Fast-Track Admissions number below prior to your appointment date:

**Emory University Hospital (EUH): 404-686-5270 or 1-800-640-9293**

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Closed weekends and holidays.

**Emory University Hospital Midtown (EUHM): 404-251-3800**

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Closed weekends and holidays.

### Radiology Exams/Procedures:

- Please arrive 30 minutes in advance of your scheduled appointment to complete any paperwork and prepare you for your exam.
- For most radiology procedures, you will be asked to change into a hospital gown.
- If you need to take medications, please take them with a small amount of water unless you have been instructed to withhold your medications. If you are uncertain, please call the appropriate number listed below.
- If you are PREGNANT or there is a possibility that you are pregnant, please notify your physician.
- Information for common procedures:
  - For general patient preparation information, please call 404-778-XRAY (9729).
  - For biopsies and special procedures information, please call 404-712-0566.

## Ultrasound:

- Abdomen
  - Do not eat or drink anything eight hours before your exam. You may take your scheduled medications with sips of water.
  - Please allow one hour for this visit.
  
- Pelvis
  - Drink an equivalent of two bottles of water (a total of 32 ounces) 30 to 45 minutes prior to your exam time. Do not empty your bladder before your exam; we may need to scan you while your bladder is full. Dialysis patients are excluded from drinking before the exam.
  - Please allow one hour for this visit.
  
- Renal
  - Do not empty your bladder before your exam; we may need to scan you while your bladder is full.
  - Please allow one hour for this visit.
  
- Renal Artery Duplex Exam
  - Do not eat or drink anything eight hours before your exam.
  - Please allow one hour for this visit.
  
- Aorta
  - Do not eat or drink anything eight hours before your exam.
  - Please allow one hour for this visit.

For additional patient preparation information, please visit:

[www.emoryhealthcare.org/radiology](http://www.emoryhealthcare.org/radiology)

[www.radiologyinfo.org](http://www.radiologyinfo.org)

Thank you for choosing Emory Radiology.