



Diagnostic Imaging

Micturating Cystogram (Adults)

What is a Micturating Cystogram?

This is an examination of part of your urinary system (ie bladder and urethra) using x-rays and x-ray contrast (a clear liquid dye that shows up on x-ray pictures).

What is involved in the examination?

- When you arrive in the Diagnostic Imaging department, you will be asked to pass water to empty your bladder and change into a hospital gown
- In the x-ray room you will be catheterised by the radiologist performing the examination. This involves cleaning the genital area and passing a small soft tube called a catheter through the urethra and into the bladder. If you already have a catheter in place, we will use this instead
- During the examination, x-ray contrast is passed through the catheter into your bladder until it is full
- X-ray pictures are taken of your bladder
- The tube is then removed, and you will be asked to empty the dye from your bladder while more x-ray pictures are taken.

After the examination

- The x-ray contrast may leave you feeling sticky
- Passing water may burn a little for a day or two. You should drink plenty of fluids during this time
- Any irritation or soreness will subside
- Antibiotics may be given after the examination, if you are not already taking them, as a cover against infection.

Results

The report will be issued to your referring GP or Consultant team who will inform you of the next steps in your care pathway.

Contact Numbers

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our appointments team on (01305) 254428.

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