

Liver Transplant, Kidney Transplant, or Pancreas Transplant Ultrasound

This handout explains how to prepare and what to expect during a liver transplant ultrasound, a kidney transplant ultrasound, or a pancreas transplant ultrasound.



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How to Prepare for Your Ultrasound Exam

- You do not need to do anything to prepare for your exam.
- Please allow 45 minutes for your exam.
- You will need to move your shirt so we can see your abdomen (belly).

What is a liver transplant, kidney transplant, or pancreas transplant ultrasound?

Ultrasound exams use sound waves to create images of the inside of the body. A *liver transplant, kidney transplant or pancreas transplant ultrasound* looks at your transplanted organ and the blood flow going to it.

A *sonographer* (ultrasound technologist) uses a handheld *transducer* that will take pictures. This device sends and receives sound waves to make a picture.



Ultrasound exam of the abdomen (belly)

What will happen during my exam?

The sonographer will put gel on your skin on your abdomen. They will use light pressure and move the transducer around to get the pictures. They may ask you to hold your breath at times.

How do I get my results?

A *radiologist* (imaging doctor) will review all the pictures and send a report to the doctor who ordered this exam and to your MyChart.

Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns.