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An information guide



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This leaflet should be read **before** you leave the hospital. Please do not leave until you feel comfortable to do so.

After your examination has been completed, you will remain in the department for at least 30 mins when you will be invited to get changed and have a drink.

You should resume eating your normal diet immediately and ensure you drink plenty of fluids over the next 2-3 days.

## It is common to have:

- A bloated or uncomfortable feeling
- More wind than normal
- Loose bowels for a day or so.

Resuming your normal diet, having warm drinks and moving around can help alleviate these.

## Seek medical advice if you experience any of the following symptoms over the next 4-5 days:

- Severe or worsening abdominal (tummy) pain
- Sweating
- Nausea or generally feeling unwell.

## **Risks associated with the procedure**

If you have had an injection of a medication called Buscopan during your examination, you may have blurred vision for around 30 mins. Please **do not** drive until your vision is normal.

Very rarely, you can develop a painful, red eye as a result of the Buscopan injection. If this occurs you **must** attend Accident and Emergency (A&E) **urgently** and tell them you have had this medication.

Please speak to a member of staff if you experience any itching, shortness of breath or feel unwell at all while in the department.

This can be a reaction to the intravenous (IV) contrast used during the examination. Not everyone will have had contrast injected during the scan.

Seek medical advice if you feel unwell after leaving the hospital.

Results of your examination will be sent to the doctor who referred you.

You may already have an appointment to see them however if you have not received an appointment or communication about your result within 4 weeks of the examination, please contact the secretary of your consultant via the hospital switchboard: 0161 624 0420.

If you have any questions, please ask a member of staff.

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