

Radiology Examinations

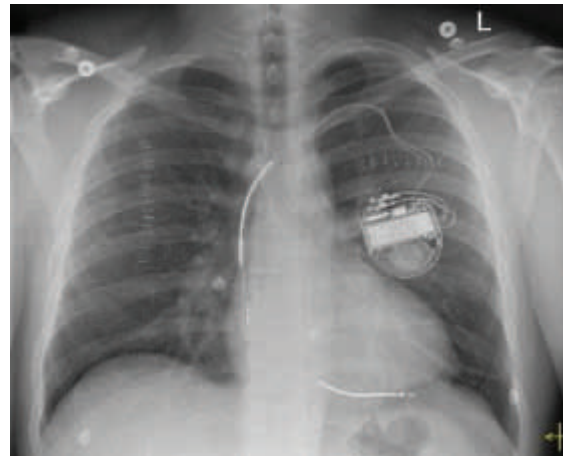
Safety Information about X-rays

As with other medical procedures, X-rays are safe when used with care. Radiologists and the X-ray Technologists have been trained to use the minimum amount of radiation necessary to obtain the needed results. To explain it in comparable terms, the amount of radiation you get from a chest X-ray is equivalent to 10 days of naturally occurring background radiation. An interventional procedure, like a Barium exam of the intestines would be equivalent to one year of naturally occurring background radiation. If you have any questions about X-ray exposure or safety, your Technologist will be able to answer all of your questions prior to your test.

X-ray exams are not recommended for women who are pregnant except under serious conditions, so notify the Technologist if you know or suspect that you may be pregnant.

Radiology Results

Your images are interpreted by the Radiologist and the results will be sent to your physician. Sometimes, additional exams may be required to give greater detail or further diagnose your condition.



X-rays are a form of radiant energy that can penetrate the body, which allows a Technologist to produce pictures of internal structures.

Radiology exams are used to:

- Diagnose sources of pain due to injury or disease
- Evaluate organs such as the lungs, intestine, kidneys and bones
- Monitor medical and surgical procedures such as central line placements and orthopedic work.

Some radiology examinations can be performed on a walk-in basis while others require a scheduled appointment and preparation for the test. Should you have any questions, please contact your doctor's office or the Diagnostic Imaging Department for information.

Depending on the body part being examined, you may be required to change into a medical gown for your test. If you are accompanying a loved one to the Department, especially a small child, you may be asked to stay in the X-ray room during the procedure. Adequate shielding will be provided, but you should also notify the staff if you are pregnant.

WE CARE WHAT YOU THINK

Date: _____ Area/Dept: _____

While at Collingwood General & Marine Hospital:

	Always	Sometimes	Never	N/A
1. I was cared for promptly	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Staff were courteous	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. I received satisfactory answers to my questions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. I participated in decision making about my care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. My privacy was respected	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. My dignity was maintained	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. I was provided with follow up or discharge instructions related to my visit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. The Department where I received care was clean	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Overall, I feel my care at the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital was:				
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Very good <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/>

We strive to make your visit to the Hospital as safe as possible. Please use the following measures to do your part:

1. We are a scent free environment, refrain from wearing perfume, cologne or any scented products before arriving for your appointment or visiting patients.
2. Cover your cough! If you are experiencing respiratory symptoms, please request a mask from any of our registration areas and wear it while on the premises.
3. Hand washing protects us all from the spread of infectious diseases. There is hand cleansing gel available in all areas for your use.