

Ultrasound – Pelvis (Transabdominal Limited)

To Schedule: (319) 861-7778

Questions about your procedure: (319) 398-6050



What is an Ultrasound?

An ultrasound scan is a medical test that uses high frequency sound waves to produce images of structures within your body. The images can provide valuable information for diagnosing and treating a variety of diseases and conditions.

Preparation:

You will need to drink 32 ounces of water 1 hour prior to the scheduled exam time. You will then need to hold your bladder until the ultrasound exam is completed. This exam will only take approximately 10 minutes if you arrive with a full bladder. If your bladder is not full, you may need to drink more fluid and/or the exam may be rescheduled to another day.

Procedure:

You will be asked to lie on a bed or stretcher. Prior to beginning the examination, a technologist will ask you to move or remove clothing in the area to be imaged. For your privacy, only the area to be imaged will be uncovered. A warm gel will be placed on your skin. The technologist will use a hand-held instrument (called a transducer) against your skin to acquire images.

**PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT:
A PHOTO ID TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY**

Parking:

Mercy Hospital:

Park in the Mercy Medical Center 10th Street Parking Ramp, located at the corner of 10th Street and 8th Avenue SE. Proceed to **Ground (G)** level and follow the signs to “Radiology (X-Ray),” also located on **Ground (G)** level.

Mercy Imaging Center - Hiawatha:

Located at 1195 Boysen Rd. in Hiawatha. This location is particularly convenient for patients coming from the north side of Cedar Rapids, Marion, or Hiawatha. Park directly outside the “Imaging” door along N. 12th Ave.

Results:

A radiologist will review the images shortly after the exam is completed. A written report will be sent to the provider who ordered your exam. Your provider will discuss the results with you. Results will typically be available for your provider within two business days of the exam. Results will also be sent to your MyChart account.

