

CT Scan with IV Contrast

If your test is ordered with IV Contrast, the Nurse will need to start an IV in your arm. If you are diabetic, have a history of kidney disease, have only one kidney and/or are over the age of 60 we will need to check the function of your kidneys before we give you IV Contrast. If you have had blood work recently in the last 30 days that included a Creatinine, repeating the blood work will not be necessary.

Diabetics who are receiving IV contrast

If you are taking any form of Glucophage (generic = metformin) you will be given special instructions by the Nurse on what to do after your CT is finished. It will require your physician's office to do another creatinine level 48 hours after the test. You will need to hold your Glucophage/Metformin until the office tells you it is ok to resume your medications.

Previous history of allergic reactions to IV Contrast

If you are allergic to Iodine or have ever had an allergic reaction to IV Contrast, you should have been pre-medicated before your CT Scan today and that requires your procedure to be done at one of the HOSPITALS. If you are allergic to IV Contrast and have not been pre-medicated, please tell the receptionist, nurse or technologist immediately.

