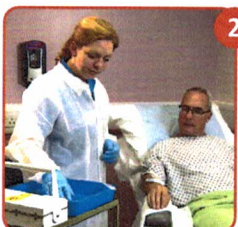


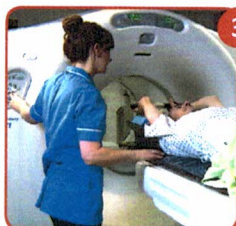
## On the DAY - the Procedure



- Following check-in at reception, you will be directed to a private preparation area
  - You may be asked to change into a gown and remove jewellery or metallic objects
  - You will be asked a brief medical history and the procedure will be explained. Sometimes there will be staff in supervised clinical training present, please inform the staff if you object



- You will be given an injection of a radioactive tracer
  - You will need to rest and remain lying down comfortably for approximately 1 hour while the injection is absorbed into your body



- You will be requested to empty your bladder before the scan
  - You will then go to the scanner room and be asked to lie on your back on the scanning bed
  - The bed will move through the ring of the scanner and collect images for between 15 to 60 minutes, depending on the type of scan that you need



- You will be advised when the scan is complete and reminded of aftercare guidance

## After Your Scan



Once the scan is complete and you have used the designated toilet, you are free to leave as soon as you feel ready



### Don't drive

If you have had a sedative, do not drive for 24 hours following your scan.



### Drink 4-5 glasses of water

to flush any excess tracer from your kidneys.

**We recommend that you stay away from pregnant women and young children for about 8 hours while the radioactive tracer may still be in your system.**

## Your Results

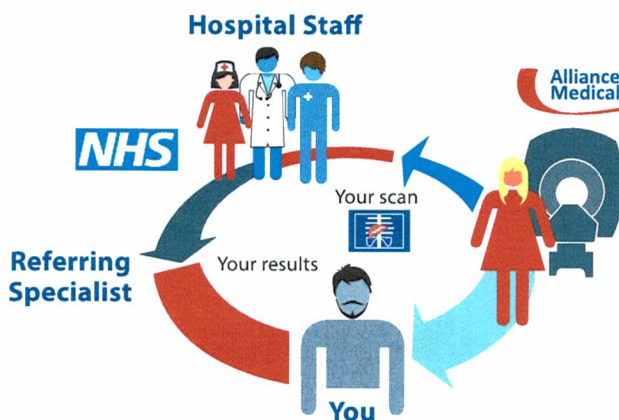
Unfortunately, we are unable to inform you of the results immediately. Your scan will be analysed by PET/CT specialists and a report will be sent to the referrer.

## Your Feedback

In order to improve our care and the quality of service we provide, we will ask you to complete a patient questionnaire. After your scan if you are unhappy or have any concerns you can talk directly to a member of the team.

If you are still unhappy, you can make a formal complaint to our Customer Care Department on **0845 045 0600** or by emailing [customercare@alliance.co.uk](mailto:customercare@alliance.co.uk)

## Who is Alliance Medical?



## The PET/CT Team

**Radiographers/Technologists** - qualified medical specialists who are highly trained in PET/CT imaging. They will operate the equipment and administer the radioactive tracer.

**Clinical Assistant** - may be on hand to assist the imaging staff during your scan.

**Receptionist** - will greet you on arrival to the PET/CT centre and direct you to the waiting area.

## Useful Contacts

Watch a video of a scan at:  
[www.alliancemedical.co.uk/pet-ct-video](http://www.alliancemedical.co.uk/pet-ct-video)

For more information:  
[www.alliancemedical.co.uk](http://www.alliancemedical.co.uk)  
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