



MRI
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Scheduling

You can schedule an appointment by calling
Graham Hospital's Centralized Scheduling Department at
309-647-5240, ext. 2225.

Service Hours

Monday-Friday

7:00am-3:30pm

MRI uses a strong magnetic field and a sophisticated computer system to construct detailed, cross-sectional images of the body. These enhanced, high-resolution images help physicians study the human body.

Graham Hospital has a 1.5 Tesla MRI unit with scanning capabilities to scan brain, spine, joints and long bones, chest, abdomen and pelvis. We also offer MR angiography, a non-invasive study of the vascular system. Here at Graham our unit is a free standing short bore magnet that allows 70% of these exams to be done with your head outside the magnet, diminishing almost all claustrophobia problems.

– How is it done?

As a patient you will be asked a series of safety questions concerning any metal objects or medical implants you may have due to the strong magnetic field. After this screening process you will be given the choice to use headphones (you can bring your own music) or ear plugs due to the noise level of the machine. Each exam ranges from 25-45 minutes and depending on the doctor's order you may receive an injection of contrast (non-iodinated) through an IV in your arm to help highlight structures in the area being scanned. After your exam, a radiologist will interpret the images and get a report to your physician.

– Preparation

- If possible, wear absolutely no metal the day of your test; if this is not a possibility, be prepared to change clothing.
- All personal objects (i.e.: purse, wallet, anything metal) will be placed in a locker.
- If you have had outside x-rays, please bring them.
- Notify the technologist if there is a chance of pregnancy.
- Be prepared to have lab work prior if you have kidney disease.
- Some patients may require x-rays prior to MRI if they have worked around or had metal in their eyes.

**Any questions please call
Graham Hospital Imaging Department
and request to speak to a
MRI Technologist
309-647-5240 ext 5174 or 2367**