



PATIENT INFORMATION

Radiology Department Information for Inpatients having an IVU

Patient Details

Name.....

Hospital number.....

Ward.....

Date/time of planned procedure.....



What is an IVU?

An IVU is an examination of the kidneys and urinary system.

A hospital gown should be worn for this examination. On arrival to the department the radiographer will ask a few questions to make sure it is safe for you to have the injection of contrast medium (a fluid that shows up on the x-rays).

You will need to lie flat on an x-ray table while we take a series of x-rays. A contrast medium will be injected into your arm. Over the next 30-40 minutes, sometimes longer, a series of x-rays will be taken to show the inside of your kidneys, ureters (the tubes which carry urine from the kidney to the bladder) and bladder.

If you have any concerns then you can ask your nurse to contact us in Radiology and we will be happy to answer any questions.

Radiology coordinator ☎ (01803) 655622

Radiology nurses ☎ (01803) 655657

Preparation

- If you are a diabetic, please let us know.
- A working venflon pink or bigger
- It would help us and speed things if you were changed into a hospital gown before coming down to the Radiology department.