

PATIENT INFORMATION

20 Week Fetal Anomaly Scan

Please read this information, it will help you to understand what will happen at your 20 week Fetal Anomaly Scan

Due to high demand for scans, please note that if you arrive more than 10 minutes late, your appointment may be cancelled and you will be asked to rebook. If you know you are running more than 10 minutes late, please contact the reception on 01803 654612 to see if you are still able to be seen. This also applies to all future scan appointments.

On arrival book in at the reception desk on level 4, in the Women's Health Unit.

Please ensure that you bring your hand held maternity notes with you.

You will be asked to take a seat in the waiting room and will be called into the scan room by the Sonographer, who will perform the scan.



The ultrasound scan is to screen for fetal abnormalities and to check the growth of your baby. Generally the scan is on your abdomen. On occasion a trans-vaginal scan may be required.

Please arrive with a full bladder. This helps us to have a clearer view of the baby.

Please be aware that we are a training department and your consent to scan with a supervised trainee will be obtained before the scan commences.

Only 2 adults are allowed to accompany you into the scan room.

The ultrasound scan is an in depth medical examination of you and your unborn baby. For this reason we suggest that you do not bring children to these appointments. We appreciate that at times this may be difficult, therefore you may wish to bring another adult with you to supervise any children in the waiting area whilst you are examined and the results are discussed.



Scan photos are £5 each, please bring the correct money (50p, £1, £2, £5 and £10 notes), as no change is given

At the 20 week scan we will try to tell you the sex of your baby, if you so wish, however this is not always possible.

The use of mobile phones, tablets or video recording is prohibited during the scan, therefore we ask you to turn these devices off.



Once the scan is complete, the Sonographer will put a record of your scan in your hand-held notes. If you are booked to see a doctor at this appointment, you will be called for your consultation. Please note there may be a delay between your scan and consultation. If you are not booked to see a doctor, then your appointment is complete.

If the scan cannot be completed at this visit, you will be offered a further scan in 1-2 weeks. You will be able to make this scan appointment at reception before you leave