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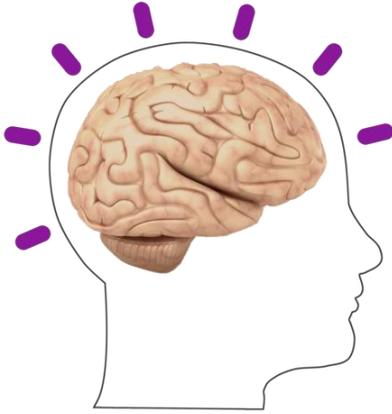


Having a brain scan



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Why Do I Need A Scan?



We want to take a picture of your brain with the scan.

This helps us to see how healthy your brain is.



The machine we use for the scan is called a Scanner.

Scans and x-rays are ways of taking photos of the inside of the body.



The doctor reads your scan to check how healthy your brain is.

What happens when I arrive for my Brain Scan?



You can sit in the waiting room and relax until the nurse calls your name.

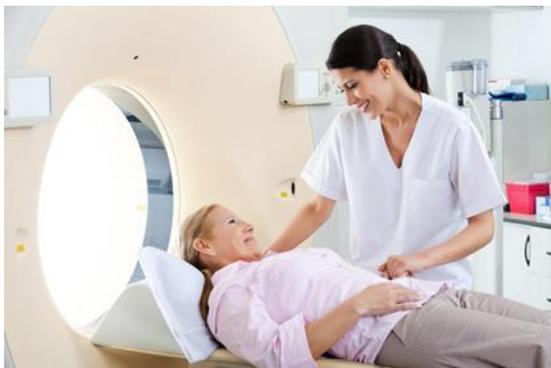


The nurse will bring you to a changing room where you will change into a hospital gown.

We will ask you to take off all of your jewellery.



If you like to listen to music bring your songs and headphones.



We will ask you to lie down on the bed and the nurse will help you to get comfortable.

The scanner will move around your head to take the picture.



To help us get good photos we need you to try and stay really still and not to move.

It will not hurt and the scanner will not touch you.



The doctor and your carer will be in a small room beside you.

You will still be able to see and hear them talking to you. They can hear you too.



When your scan is finished the nurse will bring you back to the changing room.

You can change back into your own clothes.

Thank you for looking at this. If you have any further questions please ask the nurse.



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