



Adult Chest Fluoroscopy

Diagnostic Radiology (Outpatient)

Welcome:

We would like to welcome you to OSF Saint Francis Medical Center Diagnostic Radiology Department.

You have been scheduled to have a Chest Fluoroscopy (a form of X-ray).

The information contained in this pamphlet will help you understand the test that has been scheduled.

When to Come, Where to Park, Where to Go:

Please arrive 45 minutes before the time of your test.

What to Bring with You:

You or your child may have had x-rays done at a hospital other than OSF Saint Francis Medical Center. Please bring copies of the films with you the day of the test. You may also request that the doctor's office send the films or results to us at the hospital before the test.

Prep:

None.

Jewelry:

Please remove all jewelry from your neck and chest area before the test.

PREGANCY TESTING POLICY

It is the policy of OSF Saint Francis Medical Center to conduct pregnancy tests on female patients having a CT, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, PET, Angiography, or X-ray exams of the abdomen area. This policy is to avoid potential harm to an unborn baby as a result of the radiation or medications given during the exam.

A pregnancy test is required prior to the procedures listed above and should be ordered by your physician if you are a female:

- Between the ages of 12 and 50 and have not had a hysterectomy
- Less than 12 years old and are having menstrual periods
- Over age 50 and having menstrual periods

The pregnancy test must be done within three days prior to your exam at any OSF Saint Francis facility. Home pregnancy tests are not acceptable.

If you have your pregnancy test done the day of the procedure:

- Arrive 30 minutes earlier if you are scheduled at any OSF Out Patient locations.
- Arrive 60 minutes earlier if you are scheduled at Saint Francis Medical Center main campus hospital

If you know that you are pregnant please notify your physician.

Medications:

You may take medications as prescribed.

Test Instructions:

You may be asked to wear a hospital gown during the test. Your test will take about 30 minutes. A registered X-ray technologist will help the Radiologist with the test. You will lie on an x-ray table under an x-ray tower. A radiologist will begin the test by asking you to take big breaths in and out. The Radiologist may ask

you to act like you are sniffing a flower. After looking at the films, the radiologist may need more films to be taken by the X-ray technologist.

Test Results:

Your test will be read by a Radiologist (doctor specializing in medical imaging). The radiologist will give a report that will be typed and sent to your doctor. You can make plans with your ordering doctor on how to receive your test results (such as follow-up doctor appointment, calling the doctor's office, etc.).

After Test Instructions:

None.