

Abdominal Ultrasound

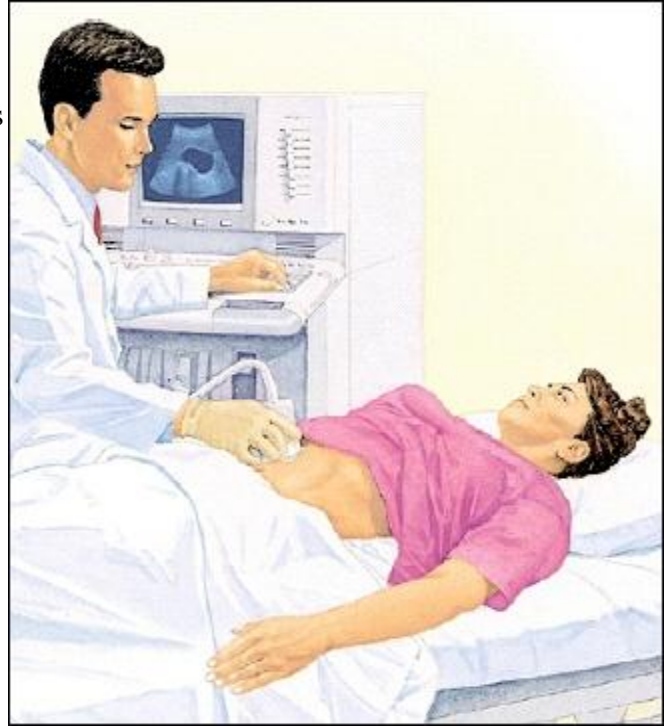
Abdominal ultrasound is an imaging test that uses sound waves to form pictures of your abdominal organs. It can help detect organ problems, such as gallstones, kidney stones, or liver disease. This test must be scheduled with Central Scheduling (630-586-7070).

Before Your Test

- Be sure to mention the medications you take and ask if it's OK to take them before your test.
- Do not eat or drink after midnight the night before the test. **Note:** If you eat or drink anything, your test may be canceled. These tests are scheduled in the morning so you may eat and drink following your exam, if allowed.
- Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to your exam to allow enough time for registration.

For best results, be prepared to answer questions about your medical history including the following:

- Prior abdominal surgery
- Prior abdominal ultrasound tests
- Any medications you are taking



A hand-held transducer (probe) is used to help create images of your organs.

During Your Test

- You may be asked to put on a gown.
- You will lie on an exam table with your abdomen exposed.
- A non-greasy gel will be put on your skin.
- The sonographer will use a hand-held transducer (probe) against your abdomen. This probe helps create images of your abdominal organs.
- You may see the images of your organs on screen.

Your Test Results

You will need to contact your doctor for the test results.