**PATIENT PREPARATION FOR HAVING AN ULTRASOUND**

**Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment**

Unfortunately we do not have childcare facilities at Highgate Hospital and your child will not be permitted into the scanning room.

**Vascular/ Doppler and Carotid Doppler Ultrasound Scans**

The duration of the scan is 15-20 minutes; verbal consent is required to carry out the scan.

There is no preparation for this examination

**Thyroid and Neck Ultrasound Scans**

The duration of the scan is 15-20 minutes; verbal consent is required to carry out the scan.

There is no preparation for this examination.

**Ultrasound Guided Fine Need Aspirations (FNA)**

On some occasions the consultant or radiologist may ask for liquid to be aspirated during your ultrasound scan.

The duration of this scan is 30 minutes; verbal and written consent is required to carry out the scan.

There is no preparation for this examination.

**Testes/ Scrotal Ultrasound Scans**

The duration of the scan is 15-20 minutes; verbal consent is required to carry out the scan.

There is no preparation for this examination.

**Groin Ultrasound Scans**

The duration of the scan is 15-20 minutes; verbal consent is required to carry out the scan.

There is no preparation for this examination.

**Breast Ultrasound Scans**

The duration of this scan is 20-30 minutes; verbal consent is required to carry out the scan.

There is no preparation for this examination