

Your Obstetrical Ultrasound

You are booked for an obstetrical ultrasound. This is a medical exam performed by a registered Sonographer to obtain images required by a Radiologist. The main purpose of this ultrasound exam is to determine the normal development of your pregnancy.

To ensure a positive scanning experience please;

- Arrive early to register;
- Bring your requisition and health card; and
- Arrive with a full bladder.

PLEASE NOTE: Late arrival or an empty bladder may require rescheduling of your appointment

The Sonographer's goal is to obtain the best images possible of your baby. It can be distracting having family members and unattended children in the exam room during the medical part of the exam. **Expect to be alone.** You will need to make other arrangements for childcare or your exam may be rescheduled. At the end of your routine scan, family will be invited into the room to see the screen with you.

Obstetrical pictures are available and can be put onto a CD or you can use your personal cell phone to acquire images from the screen.

As per departmental policy Sonographers are not permitted to provide you with any results from your ultrasound. They can however show you the images of your baby, **including fetal gender.** This information can then be confirmed by the ordering Physician, Midwife or Nurse Practitioner.

