

Looking out for a reaction after your procedure in the Radiology Department

Radiology Department

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Patient name:

Scan or procedure:

Date and time of appointment: /

You had the following drugs during your scan or procedure:

Drug (approved name)	How much (dose)	How it was given

What advice should I follow if I had an injection of contrast?

Contrast is the dye we give for some X-ray tests, CT scans and MRI scans. If you had this injection, you should drink more fluids for the rest of the day (unless you are on restricted fluids). This will help you flush the contrast out of your body.

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What should I look out for after my scan or procedure?

Any medicine, X-ray dye (contrast liquid) or steroid can cause a reaction. The chance of having a reaction after having a drug during your procedure is low. If you have a reaction, it usually happens almost right away or in the first 20 minutes after having the drug.

You should look out for these signs of a reaction:

Mild reactions include:

- mild skin rash
- itching
- reddening of the skin (flushing)
- red skin blotches
- feeling sick or being sick
- headache

Moderate reactions include:

- severe skin rash or itching
- wheezing or mild asthma
- short of breath or coughing
- high or low blood pressure
- feeling or being sick for more than a few minutes
- feeling faint

Severe reactions include:

- symptoms getting worse
- breathing difficulty
- swelling of lips
- swelling of tongue
- swelling of throat
- swelling of eyes
- collapse

Please tell the staff in the scan room or waiting area if you feel any signs of a reaction. If you have a reaction we will call a medical team. They will check how you are and give you treatment if needed.

What if I have a reaction or feel unwell after I leave the hospital?

It is rare to have a delayed reaction to the injection after leaving the hospital. Delayed reactions to X-ray dye are usually mild. They can happen a few hours or days after the injection.

If you have a mild or moderate reaction:

- call the NHS helpline on 111 or your GP surgery for advice. Tell them the details of the drugs you have had. They are written on the front of this leaflet.

If you have a severe reaction:

- call 999 or go to your nearest Emergency Department if you can. In Leicester this is at the Leicester Royal Infirmary. Take this leaflet with you so they can see the drugs you have had on the front page.



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