

## **BODY MASS COMPOSITION**

BMC uses x-rays to scan your whole body to determine proportions of lean muscle, bone and fat mass.

BMC exams are offered at our Red Deer location

BMC is private pay only

Referrals are necessary for all bookings

**Exam Duration:** 15min

## PATIENT PREPARATION

- **Do not** take calcium or vitamin supplements the day of the exam.
- You cannot have had an x-ray procedure using barium or dye in the 7 days leading up to your exam.
- You cannot have a BMC if you are under 18 or are pregnant.

- Wear loose fitting clothing, with no metal (including underwire) or you may be asked to change into a gown.
- Fasting is required for 12 hours before your appointment.
- No exercise or alcohol for 24 hours beforehand.

## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING YOUR EXAM:

- You will be asked to empty your bladder.
- Your height and weight will be taken.

- The technologist will explain the exam, and have you lie on your back on the table.
- You will be required to hold very still during the exam.

## **AFTER YOUR EXAM:**

- After a BMC, the technologists will print your results and go over them with you before you leave.
- No information will be forwarded to your referring doctor.

CAMIS strives to have the results sent to your referring doctor **within 24 hours.** Sometimes exams require consultation which can delay reporting. If your doctor has **not received results in 7 days**, please email **connect@camiscare.ca** with the concern and include your Alberta Health Care number. An administrator will determine the cause of the delay and respond to you.

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