

## CT SCANS (PRIVATE)

CT scan is a type of imaging that uses x-rays and computers to create three-dimensional images of the body. CT scans provide much more detail than regular x-ray images.

CT scans are offered at our CAMIS main office location.

**Private Pay (not covered by Alberta Health Care)**

**Referrals are necessary for all bookings**

**Exam Duration:** 15-45 minutes

## PATIENT PREPARATION

- ✗ Inform our CT booking specialist if there is a chance of pregnancy or if you are breastfeeding.
- ✓ Wear loose comfortable clothing with no metal or zippers.
- ✓ You may be asked to change into a gown
- ✓ For CT scans without contrast there is no special preparation.
- ✗ For contrast CT scans our CT booking specialist will review all preparation requirements with you.

## WHAT TO EXPECT DURING YOUR EXAM:

- ✗ The technologist will review your medical history as it pertains to the CT scan.
- ✗ If you are having a CT scan with contrast the technologist will start an IV that is used to administer the contrast. You will be given information about the contrast injection.
- ✗ You are positioned on the imaging table and will be asked to hold still, there may be instructions related to breathing.
- ✗ There is always an intercom on to allow communication with the technologist.

## AFTER YOUR EXAM:

- ✓ You will be given a CD of your images. This may take 15-20 minutes to be prepared. Then you are free to go.

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](mailto: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.