

Your doctor has referred you for a Nuclear Medicine Meckel's Diverticulum Scan.

It is important that you read the enclosed booklet "Information about your Nuclear Medicine Test" with this leaflet.

## What is a Meckel's Diverticulum Scan?

A Meckel's Diverticulum scan is a simple test that lets us take pictures to see the function of organs in your abdomen.

## Do I need to do any special preparation before the Meckel's Diverticulum Scan?

Please fast from midnight the night before your test. This means no food or drinks, although you may sip small amounts of water when fasting. You can continue to take your medication as normal.

Please contact the department beforehand if you're diabetic.

## What does a Meckel's Diverticulum Scan involve?

A Meckel's Diverticulum scan involves an injection of a small amount of radioactive liquid into your arm.

Upon arrival in the department we may give you some tablets to block acid in your stomach. If given tablets you will need to wait 1 hour for these to take effect before we begin your scan. We will then take pictures of your abdomen using a gamma camera. We may also take further pictures using the CT scanner if required.

## How long does the scan last?

Scans typically last up to 2 hours.

## Your appointment

If you can't make this appointment please tell us as soon as possible – we can arrange another appointment.

## Pregnancy and Breastfeeding

Where possible we try to avoid performing Meckel's Diverticulum scans on patients who are, or may be pregnant. Therefore please contact the department if you are

- Pregnant
- Breast-feeding
- You think you could be pregnant

If you are booking transport through the Scottish Ambulance Service please contact them as soon as possible and advise them you will be in the department for approximately 3 hours.