



Carotid Ultrasound

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How to prepare?

1. Do not wear shirts with high collars or turtlenecks.
2. Avoid wearing necklaces or chains.

No special eating instructions.

How long is the test?

The test will take approximately 30 minutes.

What is a Carotid ultrasound?

A Carotid ultrasound is an ultrasound of the carotid arteries in the neck. An ultrasound device is moved up and down the neck with ultrasound gel (the gel aids in the transmission of the sound waves). The ultrasound device sends sound waves into the arteries. The sound waves are transformed into a picture of the Carotid arteries and its blood flow. These pictures allow the physician to assess the size, shape and blood flow of the Carotid arteries.

Why do I need a Carotid ultrasound?

A Carotid ultrasound is used to evaluate plaque/blockage in the carotid and sometimes vertebral vessels. It may be ordered if you have known disease, blacking out episodes, visual changes or a noise (bruit) over the carotid vessels.

When will I get results?

Dr. Manohar will discuss the results with you after your testing is complete.

If you have any questions about your test or test instructions please call us at (616) 719-5939

Thank you for allowing us to participate in your healthcare.