

Patient Guide CT Scanning



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Welcome

Welcome to Ear, Nose & Throat Associates, PC. Your physician has asked you to have a Computed Tomography (CT) scan. We will provide you with high quality diagnostic services in a pleasant and comfortable environment. Our experienced, professional staff will make you more at ease with your examination. Please feel free to ask for assistance.

What is CT?

CT stands for Computed Tomography. For more than two decades physicians have been using CT pictures, called images, to aid in diagnosing medical problems. This non-invasive procedure is painless.

CT scans require a minimal amount of x-rays. They process the x-ray information by computer, and allow us to see very clearly inside your body. This aids in early diagnosis of various illnesses and in planning treatment of an illness or an injury.



How does CT Imaging work?

While you lie comfortably on an examination table, the CT system scans a specific region of your body. A computer then uses the scanned information to produce highly detailed images in thin sections. CT allows us to scan large areas quickly, with minimal x-ray exposure.

How Will I prepare for a CT Exam?

Before some exams, you'll be asked to avoid normal eating or drinking for a period of time. Sometimes contrast liquids are required to increase visibility of certain organs. Depending on the exam, you may be given a contrast liquid orally or intravenously. Arrive at the Dupont Office of ENT twenty minutes prior to your appointment for registration. When you arrive for your appointment, you will be greeted by our receptionist and introduced to our staff. Your medical history will be reviewed, and the CT process explained at that time.

The following is very important. Read this section carefully.

Are There any Restrictions?

Because x-rays are involved, please tell the technologist before the exam if you are pregnant, or think you may be pregnant. Because exam liquids may contain iodine, please tell the technologist if you are allergic to seafood or iodine. Also, metal objects like jewelry, removable dental work, belt buckles, etc. may impair the image. Metal objects should be removed before the exam.

What can I expect during the exam?

The technologist will ask you to lie on a comfortable table, which will move smoothly into the proper scanning position. The technologist will then step to the control area and remain in constant visual and voice contact with you. As the CT scan proceeds, you may hear a quiet fan-like sound and a beep as the pictures are being taken. Scanning itself creates no bodily sensation. Just relax, and try to lie as still as possible. Any movement during this time will blur the picture. To obtain the best images possible, the technologist may ask you to hold your breath for a short time. When scanning is complete, the technologist will return to assist you off the table.

How long is a typical CT exam?

Generally, you will remain in the examination room for approximately fifteen minutes.

Anything I can do for best results?

Just follow the instructions of your physician and our technologist, and your exam should run smoothly and easily. Many patients even find it relaxing. One tip—even if your exam has no special food or beverage requirements, you may find it easier to lie motionless if you avoid caffeine before scanning.

After the Exam

You may resume regular activity, unless otherwise instructed. Results of your CT exam are interpreted by a board-certified radiologist, experienced in Computed Tomography. Exam reports will be sent directly to your physician. Please inform the receptionist if you have an appointment immediately following your exam.

Fees

ENT fees are comparable and customary for services provided by professionals in this region. ENT will bill your insurance company for two services: the scan and your office visit. The radiologist will bill your insurance company separately for the interpretation. We will file a claim with your insurance company, but you are ultimately responsible for the deductible, co-pay, balance, etc. of your bill. If you are a member of PHP or another HMO plan, you must bring your membership card and follow the policies of the plan. Medicaid patients must furnish a current authorization card. You will receive a monthly statement for any unpaid account. Questions about outstanding accounts can be directed to our billing staff at 260-426-8117.



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Ear, Nose and Throat Associates, P.C., is a medical practice of board-certified physicians and surgeons specializing in otolaryngology medical care and surgery. Whether we are treating children or adults, our approach is one of care and concern for the patient. Our staff of licensed clinicians and experienced office professionals are committed to you and your health.



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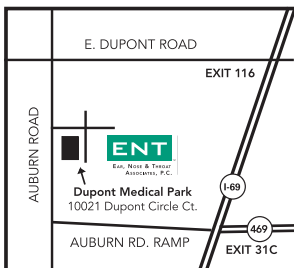
With a variety of office and clinic locations throughout the region, we are here to meet your needs.

Dupont Office

(CT Scanner location)
10021 Dupont Circle Ct.
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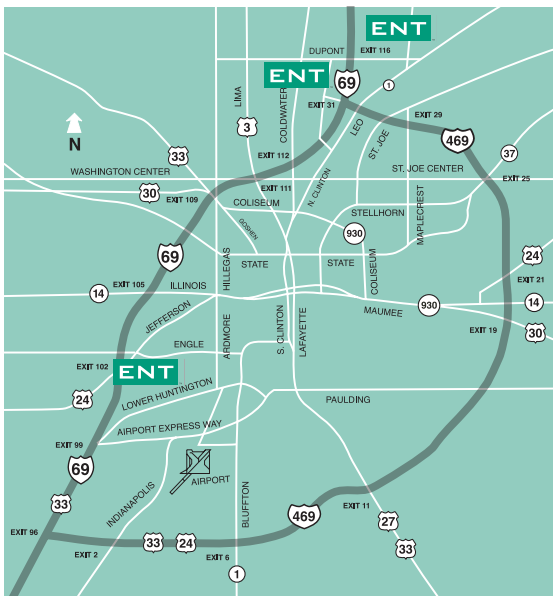
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Your CT Scanning

Your Scan Appointment has been Scheduled for:

Plan to arrive at the ENT Dupont office at:

_____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

Your **follow-up appointment** has been scheduled for:

With Physician _____

Plan to arrive at _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m.

☐ Dupont office

☐ Nothing to eat or drink four (4) hours prior to your scan.

☐ There are no food or fluid restrictions prior to your exam.



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