

# Arthrogram-MRI Instructions



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## Your appointment

- is on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ please arrive **15 mins** prior to scheduled time to complete paperwork and prepare for your exam.

## Where to go:

- Please check in on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Suite 110 Pinnacle MRI. On average, you can expect to be here 1 -1½ hours, including preparation time.

## Before Appointment Date:

- Please notify us if you have a **stent, pacemaker, defibrillator, neurostimulator, aneurysm clips, artificial heart valve, implanted pump, cochlear implant, wires designed to carry a current, retained bullets, metal fragments, any other metal objects implanted in your body** (tooth fillings, dental implants and joint replacements are usually not a problem). Any Implanted Objects or Devices must be identified and approved before your appointment. Please call the office or stop by the office with the manufacturer's information card before your appointment.
- If you have any stents, contact us immediately. Depending on the type of stent, we may not be able to perform an MRI. You **MUST bring the manufacturer's card with you**. If you do not have this card, please call us before your appointment, as we will not be able to perform your MRI until this information is obtained.
- If there is concern about metal fragments in your eyes/body, we may need to take an X-ray for safety clearance. X-rays must be completed at least 24 hours in advance.
- Please notify us if you are pregnant or suspect you may be pregnant.
- Please notify us if you are on Coumadin, Warfarin, Plavix etc... as you may need to contact your Cardiologist about the holding recommendation prior to the Arthrogram appointment.
- Please notify us of any known allergy to x-ray dye, iodine or certain foods such as shellfish, which can contain trace amounts of iodine.
- We do NOT have medication or sedation onsite. If you need medication for pain or claustrophobia, please consult with your physician prior to the MRI appt for this to be called in. Follow the prescription instructions regarding driving restrictions. If you are advised not to drive, you **must arrange for a ride to and from the exam**. Take the medication at least 30 minutes prior to your departure.
- You will be contacted prior to your appointment, as payment is required at the time services are rendered. You will be required to pay any deductible, co-insurance or copay dictated by your insurance plan at time of service. We will call your insurance company to get the best estimate of what you will owe at the time of your procedure. We accept **checks, cash, Visa, MasterCard, American Express & Discover credit cards**. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns *prior* to arriving for your exam. You may want to contact your insurance company for a better understanding of your policy benefits prior to your appointment date.

## Day of Appointment:

- Please bring any manufacturer's information card for any prior approved implanted object or device.
- If you have had a prior MRI of the same body part you are scheduled for, please bring the report and/or CD with you to this appointment for comparison, if available.
- If you are able to wear metal free clothing; such as a sports bra or sweat pants, please do so. Otherwise a patient gown or shorts will be provided.
- The disk that will be given to you after your scan is to be taken with you to your follow-up appointment.

\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE GIVE 24HR NOTICE PRIOR TO CANCELLATION\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*NO SHOW FEE OF \$150.00\*\*\*\*\*

If you have any questions or concerns about your Arthrogram-MRI appointment, please call 770-874-4200 and we will be happy to assist in your needs.