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Radiation and Medical Imaging - Is It Safe?

Medical imaging is the technique and process used to create images of the human body for clinical purposes, medical procedures or medical science.

Science and technology are changing and improving regularly. Below is a guideline to give you an idea on the amount of radiation you will be exposed to with each procedure, but for more information speak to your Doctor. Each individual's sensitivity to ionising radiation will be different depending on their age, sex and other factors.

Investigation	Comparable to *natural background radiation for:
X-ray	
Spine	180 days
Chest (PA)	3 days
Extremity (hand/foot)	1 day
Knee	100 days
Hip	100 days
Pelvis	44 days
Dental	10 days
CT scan	
Head and Body	3 years
Computed Tomography (CT)-Head	240 days
Computed Tomography (CT)-Spine	2 years
Computed Tomography (CT)-Chest	2 years
MRI	No radiation
Ultrasound	No radiation
Bone density scan	1 day
Bone scan	440 days

^{*}As part of everyday living, everyone is exposed to a small amount of background radiation.



Use of CT include examining:

- broken bones
- cancers
- blood clots
- heart disease
- internal bleeding



Use of X-ray include examining:

- broken bones
- problems in the lungs and abdomen



Use of MRI include examining:

- organs and structures inside your body
- torn soft tissue
- tumors
- brain and spinal cord



Use of Ultrasound include examining:

- heart, kidneys, liver and other organs
- soft tissue
- pregnancy



Use of Bone Scan include examining:

- bone tumor or cancer
- particular types of fractures
- bone infection or cause of bone pain
- metabolic disorders

If you would like any advice regarding any of the previous information, or if you have any injuries please call one of our physiotherapists on 9922-2212.



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