

PATIENT INFORMATION.

PET/CT PROCEDURE

A PET (Positron Emission Tomography) study involves the injection of a small amount of radioactive tracer which can be imaged throughout your body. PET scans can be used to help diagnose a variety of diseases including cancers, as well as cardiac and brain conditions.

The PET study is a simple procedure which takes 2-4 hours. After the administration of the radiotracer you will be required to rest in an 'uptake' room for a period of time prior to your scan. The duration of the scan is between 15-45 minutes. Once the procedure has been completed you will be able to leave the department and go about your normal daily activities.

PATIENT PREPARATION.

- **Fast for 4 hours prior to study.** Take all medication as **Normal**.
- **Bring this form, Medicare card, all recent CT, PET, X-Rays, MRI, Ultrasound and Nuclear Medicine scans along with you, and also a list of current medications.**

LOCATION

The Nuclear Medicine and PET Department is on Level 2 West Block at Nepean Hospital, Cnr Parker and Derby Streets Kingswood

Parking is available at a cost in the parking areas that can be entered from Somerset Street and Derby Street.



If you are late for your appointment, your booking may need to be rescheduled to another time. Please notify us if you cannot make your appointment.



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