

Who can have an MRI?... Almost anyone!

But it is NOT safe for patients
with the following:

- Pacemaker or Defibrillator
- Cochlear implants
- Most brain aneurysm clips
- Neurostimulator/bone stimulator
- Inner ear prosthesis
- Retinal tack/buckle
- Pain pumps
- Permanent hearing aids
- Some ventriculoperitoneal shunt valves
- Some penile implants
- Some vascular stents
- Pill cam™ (until expelled)
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Ask your physician
to schedule your
MRI at J.C. Blair.

Appointment Date and Time

More information about Magnetic
Resonance Imaging and instructions in
preparing for your MRI study can be found
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Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Patient Information



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What is MRI?

Magnetic Resonance Imaging, or MRI, is an advanced, non-invasive diagnostic test that produces images of the body without the use of x-rays. MRI utilizes a powerful, but harmless, magnetic field and radiowaves to obtain detailed images of bone, soft tissue, organs, and most other internal body structures. Because the images of MRI are so detailed, they allow physicians to better evaluate many parts of the body and certain diseases that may not be adequately evaluated with other imaging techniques, such as x-ray, CT and ultrasound.

Why choose MRI at JC Blair?

- Shorter bore for patient comfort and reduced claustrophobia
- Soothing earth-tone décor for patient comfort
- Personal earplugs for music listening (bring your own CD or iPod™ or choose from an XM station)
- Scheduling usually available within 24 hours
- Results within 2-3 business days
- Minimize expensive traveling. We will work closely with your specialist to customize your MRI.
- Certified MRI technologists with over 10 years combined experience



What can you expect for your exam?

The average MRI exam takes 30-90 minutes, depending on what your physician has ordered. For the exam, you will be lying on a padded table and are asked to remain still until the exam is completed.

Throughout the procedure, the MRI machine will make various thumping sounds. Music or earplugs will be given to muffle the noise and make you more relaxed.

Depending on what study your physicians ordered, a water-based contrast injection may be necessary to help better visualize the area being imaged. This contrast does NOT contain iodine, so there is rarely any allergic reaction.

How to prepare for your MRI

- Wear comfortable clothing that does not contain any metallic objects.
- Do not wear any jewelry.
- Continue to take prescribed medications as normal unless otherwise advised by your physician.
- For some exams, you may be required to fast for 8-12 hrs. Unless you are told otherwise, continue to follow your normal diet.