

# **Ultrasound Department**

815-395-5244 or 815-639-8336

**Test Name:** 

Abdominal Ultrasound

Welcome to the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center Ultrasound Department. You have been scheduled to have a **Abdominal Ultrasound**.

This information will help you understand the test that has been scheduled. Thank you for trusting OSF for your medical imaging needs.

### When to come:

Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time to check in.

## **Preparation:**

If you are an adult, do not eat, drink, or smoke 8 hours prior to exam time. You may take medications with 2-3 sips of water.

If the patient is an infant to 2 years old, please hold the last feeding prior to the exam.

If the patient is 2 to 12 years old, nothing to eat or drink 6 hours prior to exam.

## Family:

Family or friends may be asked to stay in the waiting area during the test.

#### **Test Instructions:**

A registered sonographer will be performing the test. The test will take about 45 minutes. The sonographer will apply a warm gel on your belly, and then use a small camera which allows different organs to be seen and pictures are taken. The sonographer may need to review the pictures with the radiologist ( a doctor specializing in medical imaging) who may request more pictures.

#### **Test Results:**

Your test will be read by a radiologist. The radiologist will complete a report that will be sent to your ordering doctor. You can make plans with your ordering doctor to receive your test results.