

EXAM BRAIN DEATH Imaging Department 915-298-8353 Scheduling 915-298-KIDS		EL PASO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
INDICATIONS:	Determination of brain death in a comatose patient. This will help to determine if there is any brain activity...	
CONTRAINDICATIONS:	None. The table weight limit is 350-400lbs.	
HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?	The exam will take approximately 1hr to complete.	
PREPARATION:	None	
PRECAUTIONS:	None	
MEDICATION ISSUES:	None	
WHAT CAN BE EXPECTED:	The patient will be brought back to the department where we will confirm the patient's identity, explain the procedure, and review their history. An IV will be started. The patient will be placed on the imaging table where DTPA (radioisotope) will be injected into the IV. A series of images will be taken. The study will be completed once all images are acquired in approximately 30 minutes. NOTE. This material will be out of their systems within 48hrs. The material will not cause any side effects.	