

EXAM: THYROID Technetium Imaging Department 915-298-8353 Scheduling 915-298-KIDS		EL PASO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
INDICATIONS:	Evaluate goiters, nodules, heterogeneity function within thyroid gland. Identify ectopic thyroid tissue.	
CONTRAINDICATIONS:	None	
HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?	Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment for registration and insurance purposes. Patient who has recently (48hrs) had a technetium based nuclear scan performed. The exam will take approximately 1hr to complete.	
PREPARATION:	None	
PRECAUTIONS:	If you think you may be pregnant or if you are breastfeeding, make sure the doctor is aware and risks are explained. Mothers that are breastfeeding should consider pumping enough to be used for two days.	
MEDICATION ISSUES:	None	
WHAT CAN BE EXPECTED:	<p>The patient will arrive at the hospital and enter at the main entrance. The patient should have a copy of the doctor. The patient will report in to register and review insurance. The patient should have a copy of the orders as a precaution. The patient will be brought back to the department where we will confirm the patient's identity, explain the procedure, and review their history. It is required to give the patient an injection to perform this exam. Images taken approximately 15-20 min post injection. The study is completed after the images have been taken. At this time the patient will be allowed to leave. No precautions need to be taken. NOTE. This material will be out of their systems within 48hrs. The material will not cause any side effects. A written report will be sent and usually takes 1 to 3 working days.</p>	