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TRALEE

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What is a contrast CT?

Some CT scans require that you drink or have an injection of a contrast agent, which is a type of dye. This dye enables a more accurate picture to be collected during your scan. Should you require contrast, you will be required to attend 1-2 hours before your appointment time. If oral contrast is required, you will need to drink approx. 1 Litre of dye. Please inform your radiographer if you suffer from any allergies or asthma or have problems with your heart, liver or kidneys or thyroid.

This dye will pass naturally from your system in the usual time. There are no side effects or restrictions to normal activity after your scan and can drive and return home immediately after your procedure.