

YORK DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING

Information for Young (<10 yrs) children

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1. Aim

The purpose of this document is to ensure that very young (<10 yrs) children are provided with appropriate documentation to help them and their parents understand what will happen during their MRI scan. York Diagnostic Imaging (YDI) perform very few scans on children in this age group and consequently it is not cost effective to produce bespoke documentation at this time. Until such times as a cost effective alternative can be provided YDI will direct parents to appropriate resources to satisfy this requirement. 'Jack MRI Adventure' on the Guys and St Thomas' website and its associated photostory (Appendix A 'Jacks MRI scan photostory') is an excellent resource for parents and young children).

2. Scope

This policy will be implemented for all referrals for children under the age of 10.

3. Roles and Responsibilities

- 3.1 Reception and Administrative staff should ensure that parents of young children are directed to the resource 'Jacks MRI scan photostory' early in the appointing process.
- 3.2 The Registered Manager will monitor referral patterns to ensure that if YDI receives regular referrals for young children then a bespoke document similar to 'Jacks MRI scan' is produced to accurately reflect the YDI department and practices.

4. Breaches

- 4.1 Any breach to this policy should be raised with the registered manager or director for investigation.

5. Review

- 5.1 This policy will be reviewed by the Director and the Registered Manager every 3 years or as necessary in response to changes in legislation or national guidance.

Jack's MRI scan

a photo story for children up to 10 years old

This photo story follows a young boy, Jack, through his MRI scan at the Evelina Children's Hospital. Please read this with your child before his or her scan to help explain what an MRI scan will involve.

Jack and his Mum and Dad arrive in the Arctic department for a special picture of Jack's head.

"Hello, we are here for an MRI scan."



First Jack and his Mum and Dad fill in the MRI checklist with the radiographer.



"Now let's put our metal things in a locker."



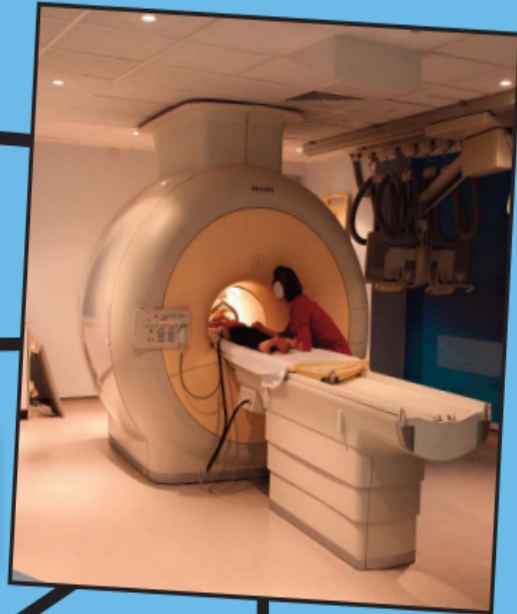
Jack's Mum will stay with him during his scan so Jack and his Mum put their metal things in a locker.

No metal can go in the scan room because the scanner is a large magnet.

The machine that takes the pictures is an open ended tunnel which makes lots of noise. It doesn't hurt.

Mum stays with Jack during the scan.

Jack wears headphones so he can listen to music or watch a DVD.



Jack lies really still for 20 minutes.



Jack is having pictures taken of his head so he wears a 'special helmet'.

"Keep still Jack. You're doing really well!"



The radiographer talks to Jack through a microphone while taking the pictures.



"All done, that was OK!"

Jack and his Mum and Dad go home after the scan.

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