

What You Should Know About Your Upcoming Procedure:

MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (MRI)

Your MRI Scan:



Will Be Done With Contrast

Will Be Done Without Contrast

Your Specific MRI Scan procedure is:



From Your Friends At



What is an MRI Scan?

MRI stands for: Magnetic Resonance Imaging

An MRI scan is a medical imaging technique that utilizes an exceptionally strong magnet, radio frequency waves and a computer to produce images of your body structures.

This scan is completed in the Medical Imaging Department and contains no ionizing radiation and is painless. The image resolution produced by the MRI is very detailed and can detect tiny changes of the structures within the body.

What is an MRI Scan “with Contrast”?

Your doctor may order your exam with contrast: The contrast agent, such as gadolinium, is utilized to assist the Radiologist in assessing the specific area of your body being imaged.

Combined Studies will consist of the following:

- Pre-Contrast Imaging Sequences
- Contrast Injection
- Post-Contrast Imaging Sequences



What Does An MRI Scan Machine Look Like and How Does It Work?

SPEAKER

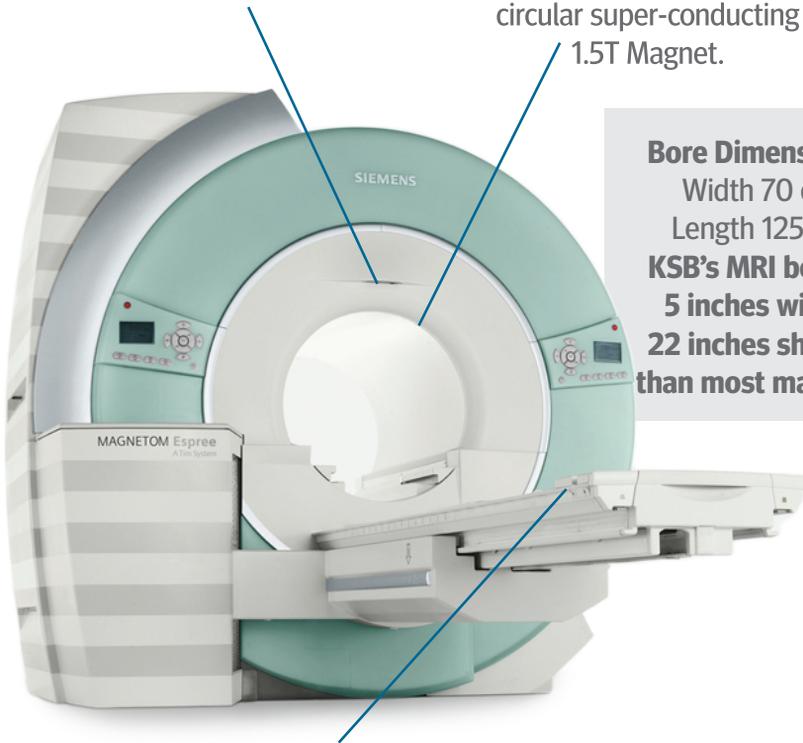
Allows the technologist to communicate with you at all times.

WIDE BORE MAGNET

(donut shaped opening)
This is what creates the image.

The inside piece is surrounded by a giant circular super-conducting 1.5T Magnet.

Bore Dimensions:
Width 70 cm
Length 125 cm
KSB's MRI bore is 5 inches wider, 22 inches shorter than most magnets



PATIENT TABLE

(bed or stretcher) *Weight Limit 550 lbs

You will lie on the top of table during the procedure. The table moves up and down as well as forward and back. It will position whatever body part that is being scanned in the center of the magnet bore.

I'm Ready to Schedule My Appointment.

How Do I Set Up My MRI Scan?



1:

Call your insurance company to ensure your scan is covered by your insurance plan before scheduling.



2:

Call our KSB Central Scheduling
815-284-5700
Mon.-Fri.: 7:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Please be certain to mention any of the conditions on the following page which apply to you when scheduling your appointment.

Many of our MRI tests require pre-authorization from your insurance company before the test is performed. Therefore, our KSB Insurance Specialist will insure that is taken care of for you.

With that being said, we encourage you to call your insurance company to ensure your scan is covered by your insurance plan before scheduling.

If you have any questions regarding the scheduling or insurance process please call Central Scheduling: 815-284-5700.

There Are a Few Things We May Need To Discuss When You Schedule Your Appointment.

If Any Of The Following Applies To You, Please Bring This To Our Attention As You Schedule Your MRI Appointment:



You are breast feeding, pregnant or think you may be pregnant.



You have any medical implants.



You have ever worked with metal. This means if you have ever done any drilling, cutting or grinding of metal, welding or sanding of metal, ANY time in your life.

If The Following Applies To You, Notify Your Ordering Provider Immediately:



You have anxiety issues or severe pain, please inform your doctor immediately. The image quality and resulting diagnostic value of your exam will be seriously compromised if you are unable to hold absolutely still. The MRI Technologist is not able to provide medication but your doctor may prescribe medication to help.

Are There Any Things I Should Know Or Do In Preparation For My MRI?



If you are under the age of 18 years old you must be accompanied by a parent or guardian



Please bring along a Photo ID and your Insurance Card for the Registration process.



Please bring a copy of your lab results (if applies) as well as a list of ALL your medications and allergies.



Please bring any implant cards that you may have: Verification of MRI Safety is required for every surgical implant, prior to scanning.



Do not wear jewelry or metal.



You should try to dress comfortably, but you may be asked to change into a medical gown.



You may eat & drink normally, prior to your exam.



You may take medication(s), prior to your exam.



You can bring along a CD to listen to during the procedure.

If you are age 60 or older, have high blood pressure, have a history of heart problems or have kidney problems or diabetes, you will be required to have had a Creatinine Lab Test (a blood draw) to check your kidney function.



Your provider will order a blood draw (if necessary). Getting it done at a KSB affiliated clinic prior to the day of the exam would be preferred. Please bring a copy of your lab results.

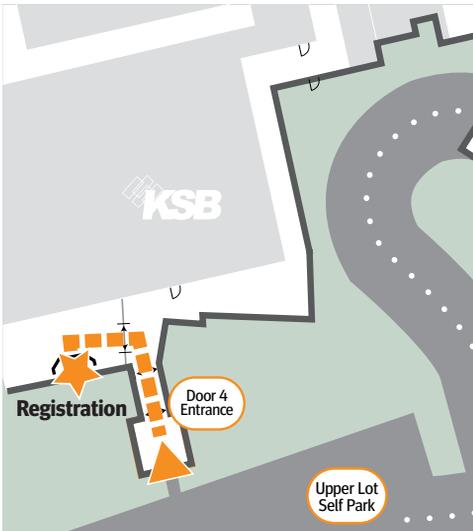
Where Do I Park?



KSB Hospital
403 East First Street
Dixon, IL 61021

- Park in the Upper Lot located off of 2nd Street. Enter the hospital at Door 4 Entrance.

Where Do I Go?



- Using the **Door 4 Entrance**: Upon entry, turn to the left. Enter through the double doors and the registration desk will be on your left.

★ **Registration**

Please arrive 30 minutes prior to your appointment.

If your appointment is on a Saturday, you will need to check in and register at the Emergency Room.

What Happens After I Arrive Prior to My Procedure?



Registration Will Take Approx. 15 Min.

Screening Questionnaire Will Take Approx. 15 Min.

Arrive at Outpatient Testing Registration & Waiting Room and check in 30 minutes before your appointment. If your appointment is on a Saturday, you will need to check in and register at the Emergency Room.

You will be provided with a locker to secure your personal belongings such as cell phone, jewelry, purse, wallet, etc.

You may be asked to change.

You will be asked to complete a questionnaire regarding your medical history.

The MRI Technologist will review your MRI Patient Screening Questionnaire Form directly with you for verification of all answers to achieve safety clearance. All implant data that you brought with you and any metal exposure and surgical history will be reviewed with you.

What is Going To Happen During The Procedure?



This Procedure Lasts Approximately 30-70 Min.

1. You will be brought into the MRI Room to lie down on the table, which will then be raised up.
2. The technologist will provide either headphones or earplugs to protect your hearing, which are required as the decibel of noise from the scanner can cause hearing damage.
3. Several series (sequences) of images will be completed.
4. The contrast (if ordered) will be administered through the IV line.

The contrast is Gadolinium which does not contain iodine and does not have any common side effects.

5. Scanning will be completed.
6. The IV will then be taken out (a bandage will be placed on your arm).
7. The table will be positioned out of the bore and lowered and you will be taken back to the dressing room area, at which time you can use the restroom.

Please Note: “Step 3.”, “taking several sequences of images...” tends to be the longest portion of the MRI Scan Procedure. You should know that throughout the entire procedure, patient and technologist are in frequent two way communication. There is never a time during the procedure that a patient cannot communicate to the technologist .

What Happens to My Exam Results?

The Radiologist will interpret your exam and produce a report which will be sent to your ordering provider.

If there are any critical findings, the Radiologist will call your ordering provider immediately.

You can expect to hear the results of your test from the ordering provider's office within a week.

You will be informed of your results whether there are critical findings or not, expect a call either way.

How Do I Get Images To My Outside Provider?

If you are referred to a provider outside of KSB, that provider may request the imaging that was done to be sent to him/her. In some cases, the provider can be sent the images electronically through the network. In other cases, the provider may ask that you bring a CD with the images.

If you need a CD of images created...

call KSB Health Info. Management Services Department: 815-285-5925
or call KSB Medical Imaging Department: 815-285-5597

These copies will be prepared for you to pick up in the Outpatient Waiting Room desk at KSB Hospital,
Hours are Mon.-Fri., 6:00 AM – 6:00 PM.

You may also just stop in and they will arrange for the CD to be created while you are here, though calling ahead will insure that it is ready when you get here.

KSB Health Information Management Services Department is located in downtown Dixon at 102 S. Galena Avenue.

How Does Billing Work?

The process and time frame of receiving a bill for services depends upon your insurance coverage and your insurance carrier. You will not receive a bill until the primary insurance company has processed the KSB claim for the services provided. At that point, you may receive a bill from KSB for your responsibility of the bill. As a general rule, you can expect a bill from KSB within the time frames listed below. However, each patient bill is unique and may vary.

Medicare	60-90 days after date of service
Medicaid	3 -6 months after date of service
Commercial Insurance	60-90 days after date of service
Self-Pay	30 days after date of service

Patient Advocate representatives are available to assist you with any billing questions.

You may give them a call at (815) 285-4YOU (4968)

They are also available in person on the 1st floor of KSB Hospital located at 403 E. First Street, Dixon, IL 61021.

Available Mon.-Fri., 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Bill Payments

Payments can be made online at www.ksbhospital.com/pay-my-bill

Who Do I Call at KSB If I Have A Question, Compliment or Concern?

Our Patient Advocate Team director, Andrea Cook, is available to listen and assist you if you have any questions, compliments or concerns.

Call: 815-285-5525 hours are Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Email: acook@ksbhospital.com

You may also write to this address:

Patient Advocate Team Director
KSB Hospital
403 E. First Street
Dixon, IL 61021

At KSB Hospital, we strive to provide the best patient experience possible. We prefer to resolve your concern immediately, so please feel free to call.

What is a Patient Satisfaction Survey?

After your exam, you may be asked to help us maintain our high standards of care through our Patient Satisfaction Survey. Patient Satisfaction Surveys are administered via email or text.

We ask that you please provide honest feedback, as all surveys are anonymous.

Your responses will assist us in understanding how we can better serve you.

