

## Imaging of the esophagus and pharynx with contrast medium

The purpose of the examination is to determine the structure and function of pharynx and esophagus.

This examination is also known as fluoroscopy of the esophagus and hypopharynx.

Please reserve approximately an hour for your visit.

The examination takes 15 to 30 minutes.

Patients who need urgent examination may be examined before you.

The arrival instructions or the appointment letter contains our contact information if you have any questions about the examination.

### Before the procedure

- Do not eat or drink at all for least 2 hours before the examination.
- Remove all jewellery and leave them at home.
- **If you are hypersensitive to iodine contrast agent** please inform the doctor who referred you to this examination as soon as possible.

- **If you are or suspect you may be pregnant**, please contact the unit that referred you to the examination as soon as possible.

### During the examination

You will be standing or sitting down during the examination.

A radiologist will give you some contrast medium to drink.

You will need to drink the contrast medium in small sips as instructed by the radiologist.

While you drink the contrast medium, the radiologist will take X-rays of your pharynx and esophagus.

### After the examination

You will receive the results of the examination from the doctor who treats you.

If you do not know how to find out the results, please contact the outpatient clinic or ward that referred you to this examination.

## **Please note**

If you have a CD with old X-rays taken from the same area, please bring it with you.

You will not be charged for the examination.

Cancel the appointment if you cannot come.

If you do not cancel, you will be charged a fine.