

Palate function examination for a child in New Children's Hospital

This examination is used to study the movements of the palate and pharynx when the child is talking. X-ray images are taken during the examination.

This examination is also known as speech videofluoroscopy.

Please reserve approximately 2 hours for the visit.

The examination takes 30 to 60 minutes. Children who need urgent examination may be examined before your child.

Please see the arrival instructions for contact information if you have any questions about the examination.

Before the examination

During the examination, the child will repeat the sentences you have received in advance from the unit responsible for your child's care.

Please practice saying the sentences with the child at home before the examination.

During the examination

Nasal drops with contrast medium will be administered in the child's nose. The child will also receive a small amount of contrast medium in their mouth. They will need to swallow it.

The child will be standing up or sitting on a chair during the examination. The parent will read the sentence first and the child will repeat it. The child will be scanned when they speak.

After the examination

You will receive the results of the examination from your child's attending physician.

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

Other things to note

Please bring with you the child's Kela card or ID.

One adult may accompany the child during the examination.

However, you cannot be present for the examination if you are pregnant or suspect that you might be pregnant.

You will not be charged for the examination separately.

Cancel the appointment if you cannot come.