

Swallowing examination for a child in New Children's Hospital

This examination is used to study the function of the palate, pharynx, and larynx during swallowing. During the examination, the neck is scanned with an X-ray machine.

The examination is also called videofluorography.

Please reserve approximately 2 hours for the visit. The examination usually 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

- The child may not eat or drink for 2 hours before the examination.
- Please bring puréed and solid food the child likes to the examination. For example, fruit purée and biscuits. In the X-ray unit, contrast medium will be mixed into the food.

During the examination

The child will sit on a chair or in high chair during the examination.

The child will swallow fluids, or foods of various consistency with contrast medium mixed in them. Images will be taken when the child swallows.

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.