

## **STUDY: TRANSVAGINAL (Pelvis or OB) ULTRASOUND**

### **Purpose:**

Pelvis: To visualize the uterus and ovaries.

OB: Visualize early pregnancy (to evaluate heartbeat and fetal size) from the internal aspect, as close to the fetus as possible.

### **How long will this procedure take?**

Approximately 30 minutes.

### **Preparation:**

Inform the technologist if you have a latex allergy.

The technologist will ask you to empty your bladder immediately prior to the exam.

### **Procedure:**

A sheath-covered probe will be inserted into your vagina. It is necessary to move the probe forward and swivel it from side to side to visualize all structures. Most women do not find the procedure painful, but the technologist will not force it if it is too uncomfortable for you.

### **After the examination:**

The radiologist will study your films and dictate a report which will be sent to your physician within 24 hours.