

APPENDIX ULTRASOUND (Limited Abdominal Exam)

Purpose:

To evaluate the right lower portion of your abdomen for appendicitis.

How long will this procedure take?

This exam will take up to 30 minutes.

Preparation:

Nothing by mouth after midnight, if possible.

Procedure:

The technologist will apply gel to the right lower portion of your abdomen (appendix area). Images will be created with the transducer before and after applying pressure on the appendix.

After the examination:

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