Great Ormond Street **MIS**Hospital for Children

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Having a CT scan under general anaesthetic



You are coming to hospital for a CT scan. A CT scan makes pictures of inside your body. This helps the doctors work out how to look after you.



You will have an anaesthetic (said: ann-ess-thet-ick) for the scan. This means you will not feel anything or know what is happening.



You may need to wear special hospital clothes.



When you are under anaesthetic, we will put a cannula (said: cann-you-la) in your hand. We will give you an injection (said: inn-jeck-shun) through the cannula. This shows up as a different colour on the scan.



Next you will have the scan. This could last about 5 minutes

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After the scan, you will start to wake up from the anaesthetic. The nurses will check you regularly to make sure you are getting better.



After this, you can go home if you are not having any other scans or appointments.



Please ask us if you have any questions.