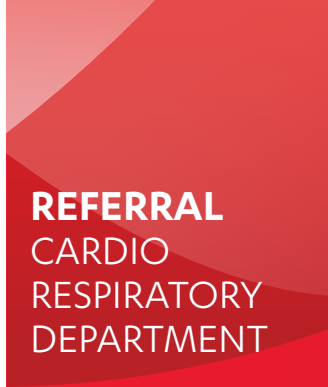


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**REFERRAL
CARDIO
RESPIRATORY
DEPARTMENT**

PATIENT DETAILS

Name: _____ Date of birth: DD / MM / YYYY _____

Phone (H): _____ Mobile: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Medicare No: _____ Sex M F _____

REQUEST FOR

- Transthoracic Echocardiogram (TTE)
- Dobutamine Stress Echocardiogram
- Exercise Stress Echocardiogram
- Exercise Stress ECG
- TTE + Saline Contrast Study

IMPORTANT: indicate whether the following applies to your patient (please circle)

Hypertension	YES / NO	Cardiac pacemaker	YES / NO
Previous CABGS	YES / NO	Chemotherapy	YES / NO
Prosthetic valves	YES / NO	Congenital heart disease	YES / NO

CLINICAL DETAILS

REFERRING DOCTOR

Doctor signature: _____

Provider No: _____ Date: DD / MM / YYYY _____

PATIENT CATEGORY

- PTE
- Vet/Aff.
- W/C
- TAC
- Pension

Echocardiogram – a non-invasive ultrasound scan showing how well the heart is functioning. Patients lie in a darkened room, on their left-hand side. A gel is applied to the chest and a probe sends ultrasound waves into the chest and the image is displayed on a screen allowing the technologist to see the structure and function of the heart.

You will also be asked to remove your top half of clothing in order for pictures to be taken from different angles

This test takes up to 45 minutes. Including preparation time, patients can expect to be in the scanning area between 45 minutes and one hour.

Stress echocardiogram – is a combined stress test and echocardiogram. Stress echocardiography is used to look for evidence of major blockages in the arteries around the heart (coronary arteries). It is frequently used to investigate whether there is a heart problem that is causing chest pain and/or shortness of breath.

(see description above).

The test takes up to 45 minutes. Including preparation time, patients can expect to be in the scanning area between 45 minutes and one hour.

All patients are required to wear closed running shoes and comfortable clothing, such as a tracksuit, to allow for walking/running.

Please see description below

Please note: Your doctor may wish you to briefly stop certain medications prior to the test.

Stress Test – You will be exercising for a short period of time while your ECG/heartbeat is monitored.

During this test, electrodes are attached to the patient's chest while they are on a treadmill. The treadmill starts at a slow walking pace, but gradually increases speed. Some patients may even jog or run if able.

All patients are required to wear closed running shoes and comfortable clothing, such as a tracksuit, to allow for walking/running.

Please note: Your doctor may wish you to briefly stop certain medications prior to the test.