

## **Paediatric anography i.e. contrast imaging of a child's rectum**

The procedure examines rectal dysfunction and the causes of bowel problems.

### **How to prepare for the procedure?**

The child should not use rectal medications, mechanical emptying, enemas, or oral laxatives for at least three days prior to the procedure. If possible, they should be discontinued one week beforehand. It is not necessary for your child to be without food for the procedure.

### **How is the procedure done?**

In the procedure a contrast agent is given as an enema. The Radiologist takes X-Ray images during and after the administration of the contrast agent.

The procedure usually takes about 30 minutes.

### **What about after the procedure?**

After the procedure, the child is allowed to eat and drink normally and to use any laxatives again. The referring unit is responsible for reporting the results of the procedure.