

## **Ultrasound examination of the child's urinary tract or lower abdomen**

Your child has been referred for a urinary tract or an lower abdominal ultrasound examination. The ultrasound examination is painless and it does not use radiation. A special lubricating gel is applied over the area to be examined, and is wiped off at the end of the examination. The Radiologist performs the examination by moving the probe on the child's skin over the abdominal area.

The examination takes about 20 minutes. Please set aside about 1 hour for the examination. A child who needs an emergency scanning might be need to be seen before your child.

### **Preparing for the examination**

Please give your child plenty to drink before the examination. Four hours before the examination, chewing gum and carbonated drinks are prohibited.

The bladder should be as full as possible upon arrival at the examination. Children 2 years of age and older must avoid emptying the bladder for two hours before the examination. The child is allowed to urinate after the examination.

### **After the examination**

You will receive the test results from the referring doctor. If you don't know how, please ask the referring outpatients department or the referring unit to help you to get the results.

### **Other things to consider**

Please take the child's Kela card or other ID with you. In addition, you can bring the child's favourite toy to the examination. It is good to have 1-2 adults involved in the examination.

There is no separate fee for the examination. You must not come to the examination with the flu or acute illness. Please cancel the appointment if you can't make it.

### **More information**

If you have any questions about the examination, the contact information is in the arrival instructions or appointment letter.

Additional information from ultrasound examinations, see weblink:

<https://www.terveyskyla.fi/tutkimukseen/ennen-tutkimusta/lapsi-potilaana/kuvantamistutkimukset>