

BODY PART	SIGNS/SYMPTOMS	EXAM TO ORDER
BRAIN	Trauma, CVA, Bleeding, Headache, Shunt Check, Alzheimer's, Memory Loss, TIA, Mental Status Change, Confusion	CT Head Without Contrast OR MRI Brain Without Contrast (MRI for more severe symptoms or persistent symptoms after a CT Head without contrast was performed)
	Hearing Loss, Tumor, Elevated Prolactin Levels, Cranial Nerve Lesions, Dizziness, Vertigo, Multiple Sclerosis, AVM, Pituitary Lesions, Seizures, Infection	MRI Brain Without & With Contrast
	Stroke, CVA, TIA, Aneurysm	MRI Brain Without Contrast
SINUSES	Pain, Congestion, Sinusistis	CT Sinus Without Contrast
ORBITS	Trauma, Fracture, Foreign Body	CT Orbits Without Contrast
	Infection, Mass	CT OrbitsWith IV Contrast
	Grave's Disease, Exophthalmos, Proptosis, Pseudotumor, Vascular Lesions	MRI Orbits Without and With Contrast
FACIAL BONES	Trauma, Pain	CT Facial Bones Without Contrast
TEMPORAL BONES	Tinnitis, Cholesteatoma, Pain, Trauma	CT Temporal Bones Without Contrast
NECK	Mass, Adenoptathy	CT Neck With IV Contrast
	Infection, Pain, Vocal Cord Paralysis	MRI Neck Without & With Contrast
	Hilar or Mediastinal Mass, Lung Cancer Lymphoma, Sarcoid, Staging, Mesothelioma Metastatic Work-up	CT Chest With Contrast
CHEST	Nodule, Cough, Pain	CT Chest Without Contrast
	Interstitial Lung Disease, IPF, UIP, Sarcoid	CT Chest, High Resolutin No Contrast
	Neural Tumor Brachial Plexus Pathology	MRI Chest Without Contrast
ABDOMEN & PELVIS	Pain, Colitis, IBD, Crohns, Appendicitis, Abscess, Tumor, Cancer	CT ABD & Pelvis With Oral & IV Contrast
	Hematuria With Pain, Stone Survey	CT ABD & Pelvis Without Oral & IV Contrast
	Hemangioma, Hepatoma , Hepatitis, Cirrhosis, Pancreatitis, Pseudocyst	CT Adomen Without & With Contrast
	Biliary Obstruction, GB Stones, Jaundice, Abnormal Enzymes, Adrenal Mass	MRI Abdomen Without Contrast (MRCP)
	IBD, Occult GI Bleeding, Diffuse SBD, (Gluten Enteropathy)	CT Enterography
	Fibroid, Ovarian Mass, Endometrioma	MRI Pelvis Without & With Contrast
	Incomplete Colonoscopy or Screening	CT Colonography or BE

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CERVICAL, THORACIC & LUMBAR SPINE	Pain, Trauma, Fracture, Fusion	CT Without Contrast of Specific Area
	Radiculopathy, Disc Herniation,	MRI Without Contrast of
	Degenerative Disease	Specific Area
	Syrinx, MS, Tumor, Cancer, Mets	
	Osteomyelitis, Myelopathy, Discitis,	MRI Without and With Contrast of
	Compression Fracture w/hx of Malignancy,	Specific Area
	Epidural Abscess	
UPPER & LOWER	Fracture, Fusion, Malunion	CT Without Contrast of Body Part
EXTREMITIES -	Pain, Muscle/Tendon Tear	MRI Without Contrast of Body Part
NON JOINTS	Abscess, Cellulitis, Fascitis, Osteomyelitis,	MRI Without & With Contrast of Body Part
	Neuroma, Soft Tissue Tumor	
UPPER & LOWER	AVN, Internal Derangement, Labral, Meniscal	MRI Without Contrast of Body Part
EXTREMITIES - JOINTS	Ligament & Cartilage Tears, OCD	(With Intra articular Contrast if Indeterminate)
	Abscess, Cellulitis, Fascitis, Osteomyelitis,	MRI Without & With Contrast of Body Part
	Myositis, Tumor, Mass	
PELVIS (BONY)	Pain, Fracture	CT Pelvis Without
	Muscle/Tendon Tear, AVN	MRI Pelvis Without Contrast
	Tumor, Mass, Osteomyelitis,	
	Septic Arthritis	MRI Pelvis Without & With Contrast
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ABDOMINAL AORTA	Aneurysm, Dissection, Post Stent Grafting,	CTA Abdomen with IV Contrast
	Renal Artery Stenosis, Mesenteric Stenosis	
PULMINARY ARTERIES	Aneurysm, Dissection, Chest Pain, Dyspnea, PE	CTA Chest With IV Contrast
THORACIC AORTA	Tachypnea, Hemoptysis, SOB, Pulmonary	
	Hypertension, Pulmonary Venous Mapping	CTA Chest With IV Contrast
	DVT	CTA Chest, CTA Abdomen and Runoff with Contrast
	Screening Cardiac Calcium Scoring	CT Screening Cardiac Calcium Scoring
LOWER EXTREMITIES	Peripheral Artery Disease	CTA Abdomen and Runoff With Contrast
CAROTID	Stenosis, Bruit, TIA, CVA, Vascular Tumor	CTA Neck With Contrast
BRAIN	Aneurysm, TIA, CVA, Intracranial Hemorrhage	CTA Head With Contrast
	Aneurysm, Intracranial Hemorrhage	MRI Head Without Contrast

## **Additional Ordering Notes**

- 1. CT Abdomen will *only* include from the top of the diaphragm to the top of the iliac crest. If the patient is experiencing any diffuse or lower quadrant pain, if appendicitis is suspected or if you have concerns about the colon, small bowel, urinary tract or any pelvic organs then you must order a CT Pelvis as well.
- 2. Patients over 59 years of age, patients with renal disease and diabetics need to have a **DOCUMENTED** normal BUN and creatinine within the last 3 months.
- 3. Premedication is required for some patients receiving intravenous contrast, including patients with a known contrast allergy, patients with a history of severe allergic reaction and patients with asthma who use inhalers daily.
- 4. Pacemakers, ocular metallic foreign bodies, mechanical ear implants, non-removable TENS units, any wire loop devices are all examples of devices that are incompatible with **MRI**.
- 5. This form is only a guide to ordering **CT & MRI** exams. If you have any questions regarding which exam may be appropriate for your needs, please call the Radiologist. You may call the Radiology Department at the hospital at (928) 537-6338. There is a Radiologist from 7 A.M. until 10 P.M. at (928) 537-6569.
- 6. Comparison studies and x-rays are very helpful. Please make sure outside exams are made available prior to exam.