



## Ultrasound Vessel Mapping for Hemodialysis Access

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### What is an Ultrasound?

Ultrasound is an easy and noninvasive way to see internal structures of the body. It sends high-frequency sound waves through the skin and produces images of major organs.

### Why should I have an Ultrasound?

Ultrasound is a non-invasive way to evaluate the veins and arteries in your arms for future placement of a dialysis fistula. It shows the surgeon where the best placement of the fistula is to ensure fistula success. Your test will take up 60-90 minutes.

### Preparation:

There are no necessary preparations needed for this exam.

### PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT:

**A PHOTO ID TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY**

**A LIST OF CURRENT MEDICATIONS YOU ARE TAKING**

### Parking/Registration:

Park in the Mercy Medical Center 10<sup>th</sup> Street Parking Ramp, located at the corner of 10<sup>th</sup> Street and 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE. You will be pre-registered, so you can proceed to **Ground (G)** level and follow the signs to "Radiology (X-Ray)," also located on Ground (G) level.

### Procedure Results (Who interprets the results):

A radiologist will review the images shortly after the exam is completed. A written report will be sent to your doctor. Your doctor will discuss the results with you. Please allow your physician time to review these results, usually 2 business days after the exam.

### Your appointment date and time:

Procedure date: \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure time: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please arrive 15 minutes early)

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