



ELLIOT GOES TO THE HOSPITAL

MY BODY NEEDS AN MRI



Hi, my name is Elliot!

I'm going to the hospital
because the doctor
needs pictures of the
inside of my body.



Lots of kids come to the hospital to get pictures of the inside of their body. The hospital uses a special camera called an MRI.

I can choose to bring a comfort item with me from home!

When I get to the hospital, we will walk to the Radiology front desk to let them know we are here.



Then, we will sit down. An MRI Technologist will come meet us.





This is the MRI camera. It looks like a giant donut.



When it's time, I will lay on the MRI table. The table will move, but the MRI camera will not touch my body.

If they need pictures of my head, I will wear a special helmet like this.





They may ask me to lay in different positions so they can get all the pictures they need.



The MRI will make big sounds. I will wear headphones. I can choose to listen to music during my MRI. I can tell the MRI Technologist what music I want.



My job is to keep my body still, so the pictures come out clear.

The MRI takes pictures slowly. I can ask my MRI Technologist how long my MRI will be.

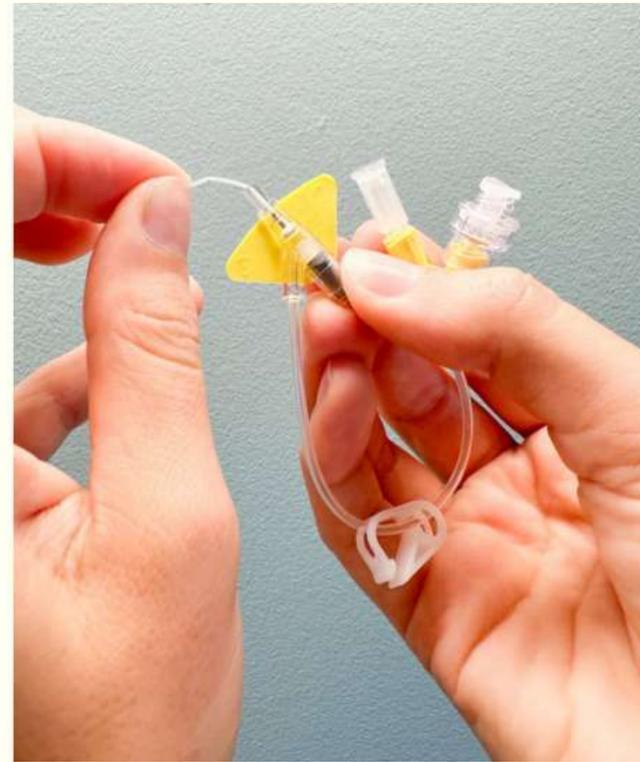
When my MRI is all done, I can go home.
Everyone will be so proud of me!



***If your child's MRI is scheduled to be done "with contrast", they may need an IV placed.
Please see the steps below for IV placement preparation.**

step 1

My body may need medicine in my arm.
I will get this medicine through a little
bendy medicine straw called an IV.



step 3

There will be a quick poke to get
the straw in the right place. The
poke will come out and the straw
will stay to give my body medicine.



step 2

To get ready for my IV, someone will look
at my arm to find the right spot for the
straw.



They will use a rubber band to give my
arm a squeeze. Then, they will use a
sponge to clean my arm.



step 4

A sticker will help the medicine straw
stay in the right place. Medicine tubes
will attach to the medicine straw like
legos to give my body medicine.

Hospital visits can be intimidating for kids and teens.

*Please contact our **Certified Child Life Specialist** team with questions, concerns or to learn additional ways to support your child before and during their hospital visit.*

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Please Note: Your child's plan of care may change from the steps listed, to meet your child's individual needs.