Child Life Specialist Available Monday - Friday 7:00am-5:30pm

Elliot

ELLIOT GOES TO THE HOSPITAL

Emergency Department **MRI**



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Hi, my name is Elliot!

I came to the hospital to help my body feel better. Doctors and nurses are here to help!







I am in the Emergency Department. The Emergency Department is an area of the hospital where doctors and nurses are ready to help kids and grown-ups. The Emergency Department is open all day and all night.



Today I need pictures of the inside of my body.

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

I can bring a comfort item with me and a grown-up can stay with me in the MRI room.





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

The MRI camera looks like a giant donut.

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





I might lay with my head close to the camera. I might lay with my feet close to the camera.

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, everyone will be so proud of me!

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

I will go back to my room in the **Emergency Department.**