

LIVER/SPLEEN SCANS

WHAT IS A LIVER/SPLEEN SCAN?

A Liver/Spleen Scan looks at the function of the liver and spleen. It is commonly used to determine colloid shift which may indicate a dysfunction.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO PREPARE FOR A LIVER/SPLEEN SCAN?

There are no preparations required for this exam.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

You will receive intravenous injection of a small amount of radiopharmaceutical that is designed to go primarily to the liver and spleen.

This is followed by a 5 minute waiting period.

After that, you will lie on a table for about a half an hour while the camera moves around you to perform the scan.