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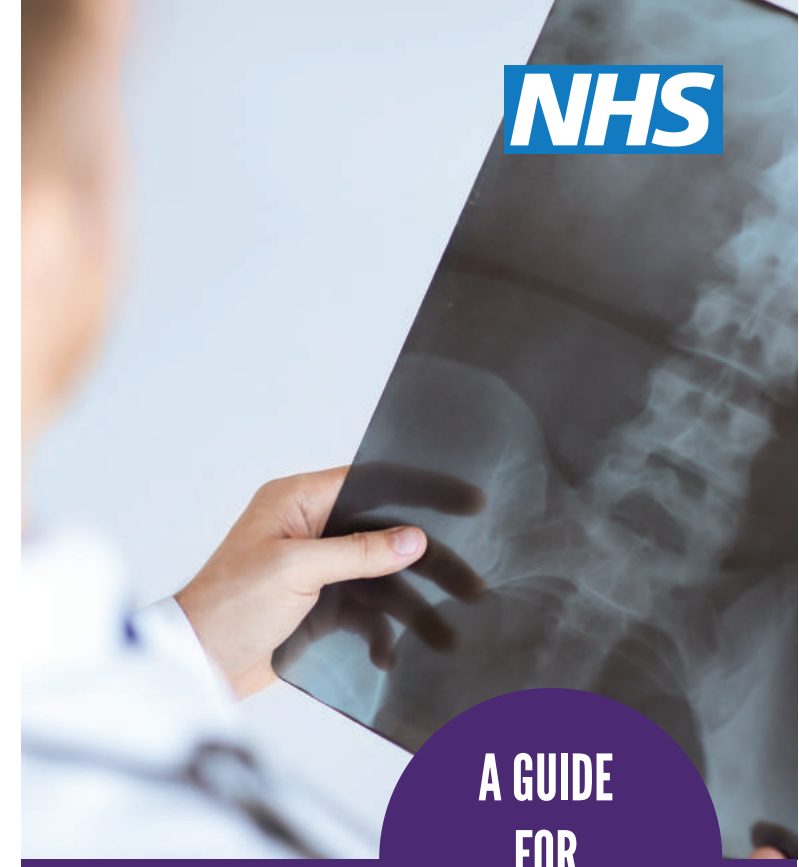
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**A GUIDE
FOR
PATIENTS**

X-RAY

YOUR APPOINTMENT AT LIVINGCARE.



DIGITAL X-RAY PATIENT INFORMATION.

This leaflet tells you about having an x-ray. It explains what is involved and what the possible risks are. It is not meant to replace informed discussion between you and your doctor, but can act as a starting point for such a discussion.

WHAT IS AN X-RAY?

An image of the internal structures of the body produced by exposure to a controlled source of electromagnetic radiation, kept in digital form and displayed on a computer screen.

DO I NEED TO MAKE ANY SPECIAL PREPARATIONS?

No. However, please notify the radiology department if you have had a similar x-ray recently or if you are a woman who is or might be pregnant.

CAN I BRING A RELATIVE/FRIEND?

Yes. Although only in special circumstances, or in the case of young children, will they be permitted to accompany you into the actual x-ray room.

WHAT HAPPENS DURING THE X-RAY?

The radiographer will explain the procedure for your examination and show you to a private cubicle if you need to remove your garments. You may be asked to put on a clean gown and dressing gown, which are provided.

You will be taken into the x-ray room where you will be asked to lie on a couch or stand against the x-ray equipment. You will be asked to stay still and sometimes to take a deep breath in and hold it for a few seconds.

It will not be uncomfortable.

The process of taking the image will last only a few seconds, but the radiographer may need to take further x-rays in different positions. This usually takes no more than 5-10 minutes. Your total time in the department should be 20 minutes.

You will be cared for by a radiographer and your images will be examined and reported on by the radiologist.

ARE THERE ANY RISKS?

There are risks involved with x-rays, but a plain x-ray uses a small amount of radiation, equivalent to that which we all receive from the atmosphere over a period of 2 or 3 days.

There are no side effects.

Female patients who are, or might be pregnant, must inform the radiographer before the x-ray.

CAN I EAT AND DRINK AFTERWARDS?

You may eat and drink as usual afterwards.

WHEN WILL I GET MY RESULTS?

The images will be examined after your visit and a written report on the findings will be sent to your referring clinician.

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