Renal Transplant Ultrasound

Patient: ________________________________
Appointment Date: ____________________ Time: _____________ am / pm
Location: Madelia Community Hospital

Before the Exam:
A renal transplant ultrasound uses sound waves, not radiation, and an instrument called a transducer to obtain images of your transplanted kidney.
• Six hours prior to your exam, do not eat or drink anything. This includes no smoking and no chewing gum.
• You may take your morning medication with a small amount of water.
• Arriving late or not following the above preparation instructions will result in rescheduling your exam.

During the Exam:
• You will be asked to undress. A gown will be provided.
• You will be asked to lie on a bed.
• This exam may take up to 60 minutes to complete.
• Warm gel will be placed on your abdomen and/or pelvic areas depending on the location of the transplant.
• A transducer will be moved around on your abdomen and/or pelvic areas during the exam.
• At times you will hear loud noises that sound like heartbeats as the sonographer listens to the blood flow.
• The sonographer will take several images.
• Your images will be reviewed and read by a radiologist.
• The final signed report will be sent to the provider that ordered the exam.

After the Exam:
• You may resume your regular routine unless you have been given other instructions.

Your exam will be reviewed and read by a Radiologist within the next 24 hours. A report will go to your provider for him/her to review. Your provider is responsible for communicating the results to you and this will be done by letter, a phone call, or a follow up appointment. If you don’t have a follow up appointment scheduled and have not heard anything within a week, you have the right to call your provider’s department and inquire about results.

If you are unable to keep your appointment or have questions about your exam, please call 507-642-5221.

Please check in at Hospital Front desk prior to going to the Radiology Department.