



# Instructions for a Gallium Scan

## Shoalhaven Nuclear Imaging

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Appointment:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Your doctor would like you to have a **Gallium Scan**. The test is to assess for inflammation or infection.

Please report to the **Shoalhaven Nuclear Imaging Department**

**Standish Medical Centre, 4/33 Berry Street, Nowra NSW**

**If you cannot attend on the day, please call the Department to make another appointment time.**



The phone number is: **(02) 44231944**

**Procedure:** The technologist gives you a small injection in the arm. The injection contains a small amount of radioactivity. The injection will have no effect on you and you can continue with daily activities as normal. The technologist will give you a time to come back to the department **48 hours** after the initial injection to take some pictures. Pictures take approximately 1 hour.

**Preparation:** Nil

Bring any recent test results, such as **x-ray, CT scan or MRI.**

**An important note for women having Nuclear Medicine Scans:**

As with any test using radiation, you must contact us before your appointment if:

- you are or may be pregnant
- you are breast feeding