

Information for patients following high-dose radiology procedures

Radiology

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Medical radiation

You have had a procedure that involved radiation.

The amount of radiation you receive depends on several things, including how long the procedure takes.

Any radiation risks are always weighed against the benefits of the procedure or test.

Skin changes

One of the risks of radiation is a skin reaction which can look like a burn. It may appear weeks after the procedure.

These skin changes can be mild or more serious, including blisters or ulcers on the part of your body that was treated.

What to look out for

Over the next few days / weeks, check for:

- redness
- pain
- skin changes (like blisters or ulcers)

If you notice any of these, please call the Interventional Radiology Department on **01925 662684**.

You may need to return to the Radiology Department or attend the Emergency Department (A&E). If so, please take this leaflet with you.

Follow-up appointment

We will arrange a phone or face-to-face appointment about 21 days after your procedure.

You will receive a letter with the date and time.

This appointment checks for skin changes only. It is not meant to discuss any test results or your condition.

If you do not receive an appointment, need to change it or have questions, please call **01925 662684**.