

**DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING OUTPATIENT CENTRE
INFORMATION FOR CLINICIANS ORDERING CT SCANS**

A Diagnostic Imaging Outpatient Centre (DIOC) for Computed Tomography (CT) is available at Misericordia Health Centre with extended hours and the ability to accommodate walk-in patients.

Please refer less-urgent and non-urgent outpatient CT scans to Misericordia Health Centre, rather than to acute-care sites with emergency departments.

DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING OUTPATIENT CENTRE
8 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday-Friday
8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Saturday
Closed Statutory Holidays
Misericordia Health Centre
204-788-8266

Direct patients to the Diagnostic Imaging Outpatient Centre for the following CT exams:

Uninfused/Non-Contrast exams	Clinical indications appropriate for walk-in service
Brain	r/o hemorrhage or CVA
Sinuses	r/o sinusitis
C-Spine	non-traumatic; r/o disc herniation or radiculopathy
L-Spine	non-traumatic; r/o disc herniation or radiculopathy
Routine Chest	lung CA screening; f/u nodules
KUB (for renal colic)	r/o stones

Patients presenting at the DIOC that do not meet these criteria and patients presenting at other sites will be redirected through the normal booking process.

For more information on practice guidelines and appropriateness criteria, please visit:

- Canadian Association of Radiologists
car.ca/patient-care/practice-guidelines
- American College of Radiology
acr.org/Clinical-Resources/ACR-Appropriateness-Criteria

Patient Information Sheet

A patient information sheet should be handed out to all CT scan patients directed to Misericordia. A .pdf file, which can be printed and/or added to an EMR, is available to download at misericordia.mb.ca/files/di-patient-info-sheet.pdf.