

Informed Consent For Ultrasound

An ultrasound examination is a painless procedure in which high-frequency sound waves are used to visualize the pelvis and fetus. Using ultrasound, information is obtained about the pelvic anatomy, fetal size and growth, fetal heart rate, placental position, amniotic fluid volume, multiple pregnancies, and major birth defects.

While a normal ultrasound is reassuring, it cannot exclude all abnormalities. Despite a normal ultrasound, some babies may be born with abnormalities not identified by the study. Similarly, a gynecological ultrasound may not be able to detect all abnormalities, such as scar tissue and endometriosis. Presently, ultrasound is not known to cause any harm to women or a fetus. Extensive evaluation for safety of ultrasound has confirmed this.

Should you have any questions concerning ultrasonography, do not hesitate to discuss them with your doctor or ultrasound technologist before undergoing the procedure.

You are requested to sign this document prior to the performance of your ultrasound examination, and thereby acknowledge that you have read and understood the information contained herein and have given an informed consent to this procedure. Your signature also acknowledges that you may not know the gender of the fetus after this exam, and understand that not all abnormalities may be discovered.

Do you have a allergy to latex rubber?	Yes No
If yes, please inform the technologist.	
Patient Signature	Date