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HYSTEROSALPINGOGRAM

This examination is generally done in patients with infertility problems or abnormal uterine bleeding. An opaque material or dye is introduced into the cervical canal with a special catheter. Under fluoroscopic control, the opaque material is injected into the uterine cavity and oviducts.

First, the technician will obtain "scout" films of the abdomen.

Then, the radiologist, after positioning the catheter, will take fluoroscopic spot films of the pelvic area with the patient in different positions.

The technician will also obtain additional films with you rotated in special positions. (*Delayed films, up to 24 hours, may be required.*)

The risk of this examination is minimal but complications do occur. Low abdominal pain, usually cramps similar to menstrual cramps, is most common. Occasionally, bleeding may occur but is minimal. Allergic reactions, infections, and death are rare, but can still occur.

This examination should not be done if you have evidence of a pelvic infection or active bleeding. If there is any possibility of pregnancy, this should be discussed with the doctor prior to the exam.

If you have any questions, please discuss them with Dr. _____.

To aid in the interpretation of the study, please provide us with a brief history to describe your problem.

I have read the above information and agree to proceed with the examination.

Patient Name: _____

Patient Signature: _____ **Date:** _____