



# ELLIOT GOES TO THE HOSPITAL

MY BODY NEEDS AN MRI



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Hi, my name is Elliot!

I'm going to the hospital  
because the doctor  
needs pictures of the  
inside of my body.





Lots of kids come to the hospital to get pictures of the inside of their body. The hospital uses a special camera called an MRI.

I can choose to bring a comfort item with me from home!



When I get to the hospital, we will walk to the Radiology front desk to let them know we are here.





Then, we will sit down. An MRI Technologist will come meet us.







This is the MRI camera. It looks like a giant donut.





When it's time, I will lay on the MRI table. The table will move, but the MRI camera will not touch my body.



If they need pictures of my head, I will wear a special helmet like this.







They may ask me to lay in different positions so they can get all the pictures they need.

I might lay with my head close to the camera. I might lay with my feet close to the camera.





The MRI will make big sounds. I will wear headphones. I can choose to listen to music during my MRI. I can tell the MRI Technologist what music I want.





My job is to keep my body still, so the pictures come out clear.

The MRI takes pictures slowly. I can ask my MRI Technologist how long my MRI will be.



When my MRI is all done, I can go home.  
Everyone will be so proud of me!

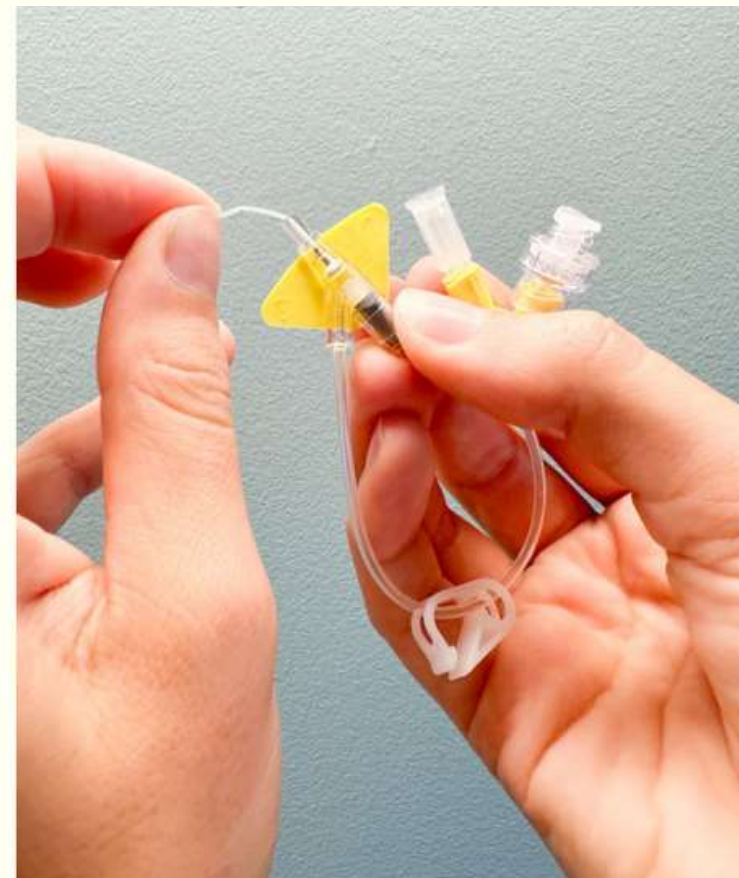




**\*If your child's MRI is scheduled to be done "with contrast", they may need an IV placed.  
Please see the steps below for IV placement preparation.**

**step 1**

My body may need medicine in my arm.  
I will get this medicine through a little  
bendy medicine straw called an IV.  
I call it my "medicine straw"



**step 3**

There will be a quick poke to get  
the straw in the right place. The  
poke will come out and the straw  
will stay to give my body medicine.



**step 2**

To get ready for my IV, someone will look  
at my arm to find the right spot for the  
straw.



They will use a rubber band to give my  
arm a squeeze. Then, they will use a  
sponge to clean my arm.



**step 4**

A sticker will help the medicine straw  
stay in the right place. Medicine tubes  
will attach to the medicine straw like  
legos to give my body medicine.



If you have additional questions or concerns regarding how to support your child with their upcoming test / procedure, please contact our team of Certified Child Life Specialists.

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Please Note: Your child's plan of care may change from the steps listed, to meet your child's individual needs.