

Defecography for a child in New Children's Hospital

The examination provides information about function of the rectum. During the examination, the pelvis is scanned with an X-ray machine.

Please **arrive 2 hours prior** the scheduled time. 2 hours before examination the child will drink a contrast medium. The contrast medium the child drinks will help to make the small bowel better visible in the images.

After the child has drank the contrast medium, you may leave the X-ray unit. The X-ray unit's staff will tell you at what time you must return.

Please reserve approximately 3 hours for the visit. The examination takes 20–40 minutes.

Children who need urgent examination may be examined before your child.

Please see the arrival instructions for contact information, if you have any questions about examination.

Before the examination

You do not need to prepare for the examination.

During the examination

During the actual scan, contrast medium will be applied into the rectum via the anus. During this, the child will lie on their side on the examination table.

After the contrast medium has been applied, the radiologist will take X-ray images. The X-rays will be taken while the child sits on a toilet in front of the X-ray machine.

After the examination

You will receive the results of the examination from your child's attending physician.

If you do not know how to find out the results, please contact the outpatient clinic or ward that referred your child to this examination.

Other things to note

Please bring with you the child's Kela card or ID.

One adult may accompany the child during the examination.

However, you cannot be present for the examination if you are pregnant or suspect that you might be pregnant.

You will not be charged for the examination separately.

Cancel the appointment if you cannot come.