

At Oregon Advanced Imaging,
we want to ensure you receive the

highest level of imaging service.

Our caring staff will work to make your
experience as comfortable and easy as possible.

Preparing for your Espree MRI

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) uses a magnetic field and radio waves to create detailed views of internal structures within the body. Each exam produces hundreds of images which are cross-sectional in all three directions (side-to-side, top-to-bottom, and front-to-back). These images allow the radiologist to examine the scanned area in great detail from many angles.

MRI technology does not use X-rays (radiation) and is considered safe and relatively easy for the patient. Some MRI examinations include the use of a contrast agent or dye to enhance the images.

OAI staff will contact you prior to your scheduled appointment date for pre-registration. Please inform our staff if you have a pacemaker or any type of metal implant.



You should contact your insurance company regarding benefits and coverage prior to your appointment date. Please bring your insurance information to your appointment. (i.e. medical insurance cards, worker's compensation info, drivers license or other form of I.D.)

You may eat, drink, and take medications as usual, UNLESS you are advised differently.

Wear comfortable clothing with no metal (zippers, buttons, etc.). OAI can provide you with comfortable pants and a gown if needed. Remove all other metal items such as jewelry, watches, hearing aids, etc. A secure storage locker is provided for your convenience.

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Easy-to-find directions

OAI at Navigator's Landing

881 O'Hare Parkway
Medford, OR 97504

Directions:

- From I-5, take Medford Exit 30
- Take Biddle Road Exit
- Follow signs to Medford Airport
- Go North on Biddle Road for 1.5 miles
- Turn LEFT on O'Hare Parkway at Navigator's Landing
- OAI is the second building on the right on O'Hare Parkway



Your Appointment Information:

Appointment time: _____ Scan time: _____

Date: _____ Location: 881 O'Hare Parkway

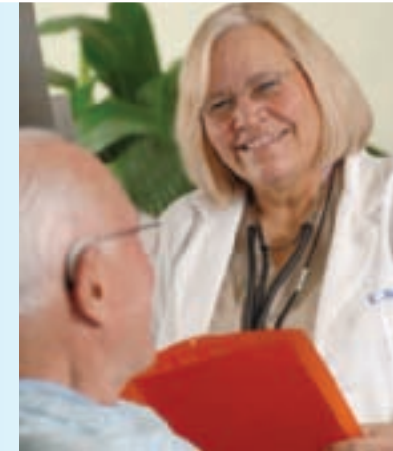
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Patient's
guide



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TECHNOLOGY IN OUR REGION

Espree MRI

More room than ever

The Espree MRI has more head room than any MRI in the region, including those referred to as "Open MRIs." The Espree design also allows the patient's head to be out of the scanner, or relatively near the opening, depending on the type of exam. Another distinct advantage of the Espree MRI is that exams are completed in less time and with superior image quality, due to the Espree's 1.5 tesla magnet strength.



The Open Espree MRI is an ideal MRI machine for larger or claustrophobic patients.



The Esprees' innovative design allows your head to be closer to the opening



The Espree allows for a roomy 12" of headroom

Headroom per scanner

Espree 1.5T High-Field 12"

Hitachi Altaire 0.7T Mid-Field 7.5"

GE .7T Openspeed 7"

Philips 1T Panorama 5"

Viva 0.2T Low-Field Open 4.5"

What to expect during your exam:

- Please allow approximately an hour and a half for your MRI appointment. Actual scanning time will take between 30-60 minutes per exam depending on the type of scan. If multiple scans have been ordered by your physician, your exam time will take longer.
- Our expert staff will make sure you are comfortable during every phase of the exam. Should you have any concerns, you will be able to communicate with the technologists throughout the exam.
- During the exam you will hear loud thumping sounds, but will feel no physical sensations. The loud thumping is inherent in all MRI scanning machines but may surprise you when you first hear it. There is no need for alarm as the sound is normal. Ear plugs and music headphones are available to help reduce the thumping noise if you choose to use them.
- For optimal imaging quality during the scan you will need to remain as still as possible. The technologists will

make every effort to make you comfortable during the procedure. In some instances an IV tube will be placed in your arm to administer a contrast agent that helps create better images in specific MRI's.

- The Espree MRI is the largest and most powerful 1.5 tesla MRI in the region and can accommodate patients that are large or claustrophobic. If you still feel you may have difficulty, please call us in advance for assistance at (541) 608-0350.
- If you are taking any anti-anxiety or sleep medication, or receiving sedation, please plan to have someone drive you to and from your appointment.
- Our radiologists will promptly interpret your MRI images and send a report directly to your doctor. Your doctor will contact you with your exam results in approximately 3-5 working days.

Please visit us online for more information, and useful links and resources at www.oaimaging.com

All OAI MRI facilities are accredited by the American College of Radiology.

