

TCD Prep

What is the TCD process like?

TCD exams usually last about an hour. A movie or show will be available for the child to watch. A Child Life Specialist may be available to help provide support and distraction.



The Room

This is the room where the TCD will take place.



The Exam

During the exam, the child will be asked to lie on their side on a bed. Caregivers can sit or lie down next to the child.



The Device

The ultrasound tech will use this wand called a transducer along with warm gel to gently rub the child's temple. The wand simply takes pictures of the child's brain.



The Process

Once the tech has the pictures they need, the child will be asked to lie on their other side and repeat the process. It is very important that the child lie still and remain awake during this exam in order to get useful images.