



**SAINT ANTHONY  
MEDICAL CENTER**

**Ultrasound Department**  
815-395-5244 or 815-639-8336

**Test Name:**  
Carotid Ultrasound

Welcome to the OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center Ultrasound Department.  
You have been scheduled to have a **Carotid Ultrasound**.

This information will help you understand the test that has been scheduled.  
Thank you for trusting OSF for your medical imaging needs.

**When to come:**

Please arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time to check in.

**Preparation:**

There is no prep for this exam.

**Family:**

Family or friends may be asked to stay in the waiting area during the test.

**Test Instructions:**

A registered sonographer will be performing the test. The test will take about 45 minutes; however, it may take longer if additional images are needed. A gel will be applied to the area of interest and a small

camera will be used to image the vessel in your neck.

The sonographer will listen to the blood flow and take pictures.

The exam will be checked with a vascular surgeon (a doctor specializing in ultrasound exams) who may request additional images.

**Test Results:**

Your test will be read by a vascular surgeon, who will complete a report that will be sent to your ordering doctor. You can make plans with your ordering doctor to receive your test results.