

## Following your arthrogram

You have had an arthrogram, a procedure that involves injecting imaging dye into your joint prior to having an MRI scan.

We would recommend that you are accompanied and preferably driven home.

### **Will I have any problems following this procedure?**

After the procedure you may feel mild pain, swelling and tenderness in your joint. You may also hear a grating or clicking sound when you move the joint. This is normal and usually lasts less than 24 hours.

If you have had a hip arthrogram, there is a small risk that your leg may become temporarily numb. If this does happen it should wear off in 2-3 hours and you should stay in the department until you are fit to leave.

There is an extremely small risk that this procedure may cause an infection or bleeding inside your joint. If your joint becomes hot, swollen or painful, you must contact your GP and explain that you have had an arthrogram.

### **When will I get my results?**

You will not be told the results of your examination whilst you are in the department. The scans will be reviewed and the results sent to the doctor who requested the examination.

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