

# LUNG HEALTH CLINIC

## Referred for a CT scan



## I have been referred for a CT scan

I have been referred to have my scan at the following hospital (Lung Nurse to tick):

- Aintree University NHS Foundation Hospital
- Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital
- Royal Liverpool University Hospital

## What happens next?

You have been referred for a chest CT scan. The hospital will contact you in the next few days to offer you an appointment. If you do not hear from the hospital in the next week, or if you have any questions, please contact the lung nurses: **0151 254 3032**

## What is a CT scan ?

A CT scan takes pictures of the lungs like an X ray but it provides more information than an ordinary x-ray.

## How long does a CT take?

The CT will take only a few minutes. There is no need to prepare for the CT.

The radiographer will ask you to lie on a special bed, which will move slowly through the scanning machine. Unlike some machines, the CT scanner is not enclosed. It is like a big donut.

You will need to lie very still while each picture is taken. You may also be asked to hold your breath for a moment. You will not feel any pain during the scan.

## When will i get my results and who will give them to me?

You should get your results within 3 weeks. If your scan is normal you will get a letter. If there is anything of concern on your scan the hospital or your GP will contact you directly.

If you have not had your results in 3 weeks please contact the lung nurses: **0151 254 3032**

Whatever the result is we hope that your discussion with the lung nurse will help you to improve your lung health in the future.

