

Your child's bladder scan and uroflow test

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**Information
for parents**

This leaflet provides information for parents whose child may have to have a paediatric bladder scan and uroflow test.

What is a paediatric bladder and uroflow test?

This is a very straightforward investigation that is necessary to get a clear picture of what is going on with your child's bladder. It enables the doctor and the nurses looking after your child to understand in a lot more detail how the bladder is working, whether or not the bladder is filling and emptying correctly and whether your child truly has a normal stream.

When does this procedure take place?

This procedure takes place usually on a Friday but can occur on other days in an elective fashion.

What does the procedure involve?

The child will normally attend after drinking a reasonable amount of fluid. They attend the Jungle Ward and will be encouraged to pass urine in a special toilet which measures the flow of liquid. Prior to going to the toilet and emptying the bladder they will have an ultrasound scan just to assess how full the bladder is. After passing urine in the special toilet they will then repeat the scan.

Sometimes it has to be repeated a number of times to get a clear picture what is going on to enable all the members of the team to treat your child effectively. This will not affect the child in any way and is done by very experienced nurse specialists in a child friendly environment.

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