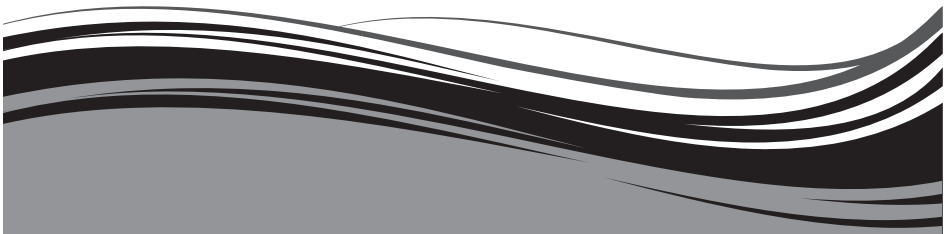


Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)

Information for when you go home
after your scan

Hospital: _____

Contact phone numbers: _____



This leaflet gives you advice for when you go home after a scan for a possible Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT).

You had a scan (called a Doppler ultrasound) on ___/___/___.

This scan did not show any sign of a Deep Vein Thrombosis (also called a clot) in your leg. However there is a very small possibility that you may have a clot. Therefore, it is important that you check that your symptoms are not getting any worse.

What should I look for?

- Any increase in pain or swelling in the leg
- Sudden breathlessness
- Chest pain or back pain
- Coughing or spitting up blood
- Feeling lightheaded, dizzy or fainting

If you have any of the above symptoms it is important that you get urgent medical advice from your GP or NHS 24 (Telephone: 111) or your nearest Accident and Emergency Department.

If you have any chest or back pain, coughing or spitting up blood, or recent collapse, call 999 immediately and tell the operator that you have been recently tested for a DVT.

Is there anything else I should do?

- If we arrange any further tests for you it is important that you attend them.
- We will tell you if you need a repeat scan before you go home. We will give you a time and date for the repeat scan.
- If we give you any medicine you should take this as directed until you finish the treatment.
- If you have been told you have a muscle injury and your leg does not get any better within 1-2 weeks please get further medical advice, either from your GP or Accident and Emergency.

If you are unsure about any of these instructions, please telephone your GP or one of the following numbers:

Monday to Friday, 9.30am – 5.00pm:

Weekends and evenings:

Notes:

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