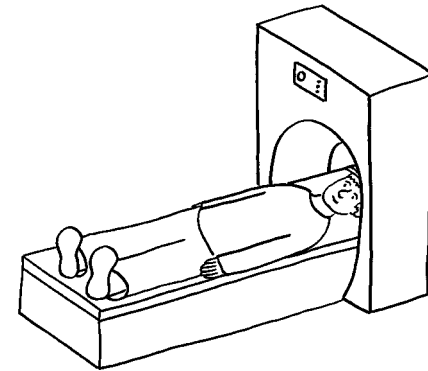


If you are worried about having a CT scan and would like to talk to someone, you can contact:

- Your doctor
- Your local Learning Disabilities Team

Having a CT scan



This leaflet explains what happens when you go to hospital for a CT scan.

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A CT scan is a special type of x-ray like a photograph of any part of your body.

It can show the doctor if there is anything wrong with you.

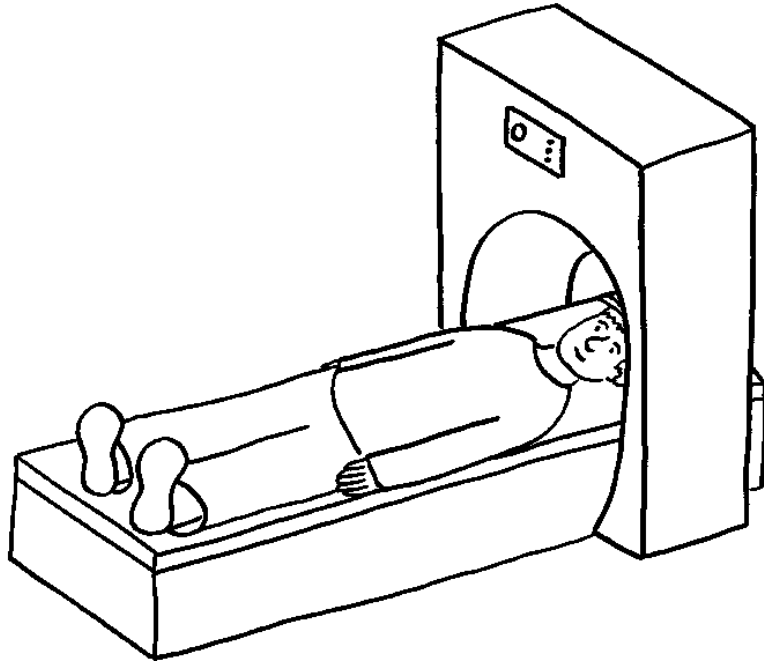
It is done in a hospital by a radiographer.

It does not hurt!

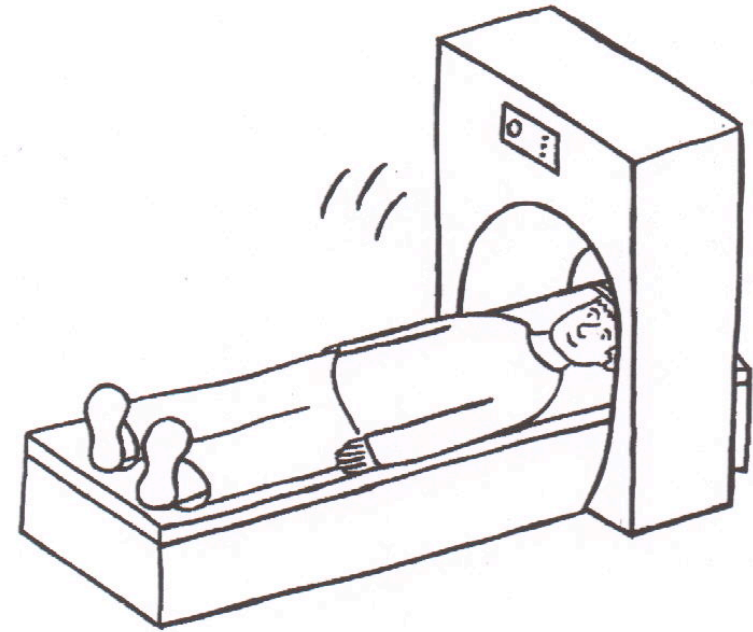
This leaflet tells you what will happen when you have a CT scan of your brain.



- **About a week later the results will be sent to the doctor who will tell you what they mean.**



- The bench will move slowly through a hole in a special wall. Don't be frightened, it won't hurt!



- You will hear a whirring noise.
- You must lie very still so that the photographs are clear.



- The bench will move slowly out of the hole.
- This means your CT scan has finished.
- The radiographer will say you can get up and go.



- The radiographer will ask you to lie down on a bench.
- A strap will be put around your head to keep it still.

