North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System
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GADOLINIUM INTRAVENOUS CONTRAST FOR MRI
Information Sheet

Your imaging procedure today involves the administration of an intravenous contrast agent that contains **gadolinium**. The purpose of this dye is to provide the radiologist with a more detailed picture and will **help in interpreting** your examination.

Intravenous gadolinium is administered by injection through a small needle placed into your vein.

This material has been in use for many years and is **generally considered safe.** As with any medication or pharmaceutical, a very small number of patients may experience side effects related to its administration, such as: nausea, headache, or coldness at the injection site. Life-threatening allergic reactions are extremely rare and occur with a much lower frequency than is observed after administration of other intravenous contrast materials.

	YES	NO
Are you on dialysis?	Γ	Γ
Have you ever had an MRI with contrast injected into a vein?	Γ	Γ

If so, have you had any of the following as a result?:

	YES	NO
HIVES	Γ	Γ
Shortness of breath/wheezing	Γ	Γ
Fainting or collapse	Γ	Γ
Admission to a hospital	Γ	Γ
Have you even been pre-medicated prior	YES	NO

	YES	NO
Are you pregnant?	Γ	Γ

Do you have:

	YES	NO
Asthma?	Γ	Γ
Seizures?	Γ	Γ

Why has your doctor requested this study?

If you have any questions, please inform a staff member who will have a physician speak with you.

I understand that as part of my examination, I will be receiving an **intravenous infusion** of contrast containing **gadolinium**.

Patient/Agent/Relative/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____ Print Name _____ Relationship, if other than patient _____

Interpreter, if required (Signature) _____ Date _____ Print Name _____

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