
Anatomy Scan Information

You will be having an ultrasound at your next appointment so we can look at the structures of your baby to try and identify any concerns. It takes approximately one hour for the ultrasound and is done abdominally (with an occasional need for a vaginal scan). We will try to also tell you the gender at this ultrasound if you desire. If the ultrasound is done in our office you will receive a CD with some images and we will also try to take a 3D image of your baby. Please be aware that a 3D image at 20 weeks will not be as clear or detailed as you might expect.

We do support the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists stance on ultrasound in pregnancy as follows:

Currently, there is no evidence that ultrasound is harmful to a developing fetus. No links have been found between ultrasound and birth defects, childhood cancer, or developmental problems later in life. However, it is possible that effects could be identified in the future. For this reason, it is recommended that ultrasound exams be performed only for medical reasons by qualified health care professionals. Casual use of ultrasound during pregnancy should be avoided.