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You have been booked to have a Venous Study Upper Limbs at Vascular West

Your doctor has asked for a Venous study. The test gives us important information about your arm and shoulder veins.

A venous study is an ultrasound test, of the arm and shoulder specifically to find the cause of swelling or pain or to measure the size of your veins. A full study takes up to 45 minutes to perform. You will be asked to lie or sit on the edge of the examination table and an ultrasound probe and gel will be applied to your arm and shoulder. Ultrasound used for the purpose of diagnostic values is completely harmless. The ultrasound is painless, however you may feel some light pressure from the probe.

Most upper limb venous scans are to measure the size and suitability of the veins pre-operatively, however if you have pain and/or swelling we will look for clotting or altered flow states. The sonographer will take all appropriate measurements and will also look for other localised abnormalities. A report will be completed by the sonographer and finalised by one of our vascular surgeons. This will then be sent to your referring doctor and/or GP within 48 hours.

If you have any questions regarding the test, or would like more information please call our office on 9381 7772. **Please make sure you bring the referral from your doctor to the appointment or check with the reception staff prior to the appointment that we have a copy.**