

# ABBREVIATED BREAST MRI

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## RECOMMENDED

Recommended for women with high risk or family history of breast cancers



## ACCURATE

Ideal option for women with breast density, which can hide cancers



## ADVANCED

Big Sky Imaging utilizes a 3T MRI, which provides the clearest & most enhanced images in the area. MRI detects more breast cancers than traditional screening methods



## EARLY DETECTION

Breast MRI can detect breast cancers at a very early stage, when there is the best chance for cure



## CONSIDERATION

Procedure performed by a woman



## COMFORT

No pain or compression, no radiation



## ECONOMICAL

Pay one fee that covers the procedure and interpretation by a local radiologist



More information is included on the back or available at our office.

Please call to schedule:

406-237-5525



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## Questions you may have:

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### What is the cost?

The fee is \$500, which is not billable to insurance. Payment is due at the time of service. This fee includes the procedure as well as the interpretation by a local radiologist. A report will be sent to you and your physician.

### Do I need a prescription?

A prescription is not required; however, a primary physician is required as they will receive the report from the radiologist.

### When should I schedule the scan?

The timing of the scan is important for best results. For premenopausal women, the hormonal changes that occur during your menstrual cycle can have a major effect on the accuracy of breast MRI (it can result in more false positives and potentially make it more difficult to detect a cancer). Assuming a normal 28-day cycle with day 1 being the first day of your menstrual period, the best time to have a breast MRI is between days 6 and 12.

### What can I expect?

We will ask you to complete our usual patient paperwork. It is important to read all questions thoroughly. You will be shown to a changing room and given scrubs & a robe.

The technologist will place a small intravenous (IV) catheter in your arm for the injection. A small amount of dye (contrast agent) will be injected during the exam to enhance visualization of possible cancer. This process from start to finish is around 10-15 minutes. There is no pain and no compression.

There is no special preparation necessary and no food or drink restrictions.

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