**Ultrasound examination of the liver with contrast agent**

**Appointment**   .  .20  , at   :

 **Examination place**

Kainuu Central Hospital

Main entrance F1. The imaging unit is located on the left side of the main lobby.

Registration on the self-service registration in the imaging unit by health insurance card (KELA card) or other official identity card.

We ask you to leave jewels and other valuables at home. Emergency patients may cause changes on your examination schedule

**Preparation for the examination**

**You must abstain from eating and drinking at least for 4 hours before the examination**

Take medication prescribed to you by your doctor according to instructions

The urinary bladder doesn´t have to be full

**Examination**

An intravenous cannula will be set in to a vein. Radiologist will inject an ultrasound contrast agent in to the vein and examines the area of the liver by ultrasound. Some gel will be applied on the skin and an ultrasound probe will be moved on the examination site. Information from the examination site will be transmitted by sonar principle.

The examination will take approximately 20 minutes.

**Post treatment**

After the examination, you will stay at the radiology department under observation for 15 minutes. You may eat and drink normally. The doctor in charge of your treatment will inform you about the results of the examination.

**Contact**

**If the appointment date is not suitable for you, please contact the unit treating you**

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Fee for missed/non-cancelled appointment for an ultrasound examination can be charged. If you need to cancel the appointment, contact the unit treating you before 12:00 on the day before examination.

For further information about the examination, including patient instructions, please contact the imaging unit.