

CT Chest Abdomen Pelvis Guideline

Indications: Trauma, Cancer staging or restaging, Unexplained weight loss

Oral Contrast: 900ml Barium prior to scan if indicated
ER – wait one hour after finished
Inpatients – wait two hours after finished
Outpatients – one bottle the night before, second bottle one hour before Appointment

IV Contrast: If indicated; Yes (See [MRG Contrast Media Administration Policy](#))

Positioning	Supine, feet first
FOV	Patient size
Axial Reconstruction: Thickness/ Interval/ Algorithm	(1) 5mm/5mm/Soft (2) 5mm/5mm/Sharp (3) 10mm/5mm/Sharp MIPs
Start Location	Above lung apices
End Location	Through inferior-most bony pelvis
Gantry Angle	None
Reformations: Thickness/ Interval/ Algorithm	(1) Coronal 3mm/3mm/Soft (2) Sagittal 3mm/3mm/Soft
Phase of Respiration	Inspiration