

MRI Soft Tissue Neck Guideline (16A)

CPT Code: 70543

Indications: Tumor, infection, mets, thyroid/parathyroid, vocal cord, parotid gland concerns

Contrast: Yes (see [MRG MRI Contrast Administration Policy](#))

Noncontrast:

Sequence	Plane	Slice Thickness	Gap	FOV	Notes
T1	Coronal	3-4mm	0.9mm	240-260	
T1	Axial	3-4mm	0.9mm	180	
T2	Axial	3-4mm	0.9mm	180	
STIR	Axial	3-4mm	0.9mm	180	
T2	Sagittal	3-4mm	0.9mm	220	

Contrast:

Sequence	Plane	Slice Thickness	Gap	FOV	Notes
T1 Dixon	Coronal	3-4mm	0.9mm	240-260	Water Sat / Fat Sat
T1 Dixon	Axial	3-4mm	0.9mm	180	Water Sat / Fat Sat