

Diagnostic Imaging (Estimated) Wait Times

As of October 30, 2023

Test/Procedure	Estimated Wait Time	How are we doing?
MRI	-	Our new service is going live on November 14, 2023.
Elective General Ultrasound	approximately 15 weeks	Increase from 14 weeks.
Echo (Echocardiography)	Approximately 1 week	Decrease from 1.5 weeks.
Diagnostic Mammography	Approximately three (3) weeks	No change.
Ontario Breast Screening Program (OBSP) Mammography	Approximately nine (9) weeks (for called in appointments)	Written/faxed requisitions are longer.
CT urgent/semi-urgent	No wait time for P1, P2	-
Elective CT non contrast	approximately 11 weeks	Increase from 10 weeks.
Elective CT with contrast	approximately 12 weeks	Decrease from 14 weeks.
General X-ray	approximately four (4) weeks (no wait time for urgent/semi-urgent.)	No change.
Bone Mineral Densitometry (BMD)	Wait time information not available.	BMD tests are performed on a limited basis due to staffing issues.

	ECG	Blood Pressure Monitoring (BPM)	Stress Test	Holter Monitor
Smiths Falls	No Wait Time	Less than a week	N/A	No Wait Time
Perth	No Wait Time	No wait times (Every day except Friday)	Less than a week	For 7-14 days (No wait time) For 24, 48 hrs (maximum 3 days)

Please note that **out-patient X-ray exams** are scheduled Monday-Friday in Smiths Falls and Monday-Sunday in Perth.

Due to many contributing factors, the Diagnostic Imaging Department is experiencing a large amount of back log. PSFDH anticipates that these concerns will be resolved in the near future.

Similar to the triage process in the Emergency Department, the Diagnostics Imaging Team (DI Team) receives and reviews all test requests and requisitions to determine level of urgency. **The DI Team always sets aside time to support inpatient and urgent test requests.** If you are concerned about the wait time for your appointment, please contact your primary care provider for more information.