



# Advanced Imaging Newport Coast

## PATIENT INFORMATION

### MRI

**PACEMAKER: If you have a pacemaker, MRI is not recommended for you.**

MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) utilizes a magnet and radio waves to obtain images inside body. The magnet may affect any electronic or metallic objects, in addition to things with magnetic strips as driver's license and credit cards. In order to ensure your safety and comfort, Advanced Imaging (AINC) has provided this guideline for your information.

**IF ANY OF THE ITEMS ON THE BELOW LIST APPLY TO YOU, PLEASE ADVISE OUR CENTER AT THE TIME OF SCHEDULING AS MRI MAY NOT BE THE RIGHT TEST FOR YOU.**

- Pacemaker
- Aneurysm Clips
- Pregnant
- Intra-ocular foreign body (foreign body in the eyes)
- Cochlear implants (inner ear implants)
- Hearing aid
- Brain or Spinal Cord stimulator

In addition, please notify AINC if you have the following:

- removable orthodontics (dentures, etc.)
- removable jewelries (including belly rings, etc.)
- metallic prosthesis or devices

### **CLAUSTROPHOBIA and SEDATION**

While AINC an **open MRI scanner** with a wider opening for patient comfort, we recognize that some patients may still feel anxious about MRI.

Should you feel the need to have sedation, please inform our office prior to your scheduled exam. You **must** have someone to drive you home after the test should a sedation be necessary. A friend or family member may also be with you in the exam room, provided they have no pacemaker or other contra-indications for MRI as listed above.

### **OTHERS**

- Please arrive at least **15 minutes before** your scheduled exam.

**We look forward to providing you with the best service possible. Should you have further inquiries regarding your exam, please reach us at (949) 644-4100.**