

Extravasation Injury

Information for patients

Following your scan, if you have experienced an **extravasation injury**. This leaflet will give you some advice on how to look after your injury over the next few days. You will have been treated and assessed by a Radiology Doctor who has decided you are fit for discharge but has asked you to follow this information:

If any of the following symptoms develop over the next 48 hours, please contact your GP or phone this department between 08:30-16:30 on **0131 312 0863**:

- Increased pain
- Any change in sensation, feeling or increased weakness
- Persistent or increased swelling
- Any change in skin colour around injection site
- Blistering or breakdown of skin.

If any of these symptoms occur outside of normal working hours, please call **NHS 111** – you may need go to the Accident and Emergency (A&E) department.

We would advise you to keep a cold compress on the affected area and keep your arm elevated if there is still obvious swelling. If you need them, you can take regular painkillers (paracetamol should be sufficient).

Contrast agent given – (circle as appropriate)

(In case your GP or other medical staff need this information):

If you had a CT scan, you will have been given -

OMNIPAQUE 300mgI/ml or OMNIPAQUE 350mgI/ml

If you had an MRI scan, you will have been given -

CLARISCAN 0.5mmol/ml

Or

GADOVIST 1.0mmol/ml