

Pränatale Diagnostik Berlin - Lichtenberg

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Information on ultrasound examinations during pregnancy

Thanks to high-end ultrasound equipment and many years of experience in the field of prenatal medicine, we are able to assess by ultrasound examination the child's state of health and detect or rule out fetal abnormalities, including a large number of fetal malformations and diseases. We ask you to take note of the following information before the examination.

The ultrasound examination is an imaging procedure which, according to current knowledge, does not cause any negative effects or damage to the unborn child. This also applies to repeated examinations.

Even with very high quality equipment, the utmost care and experience of the examiner, not all malformations and changes can be detected at every stage of pregnancy. It is possible that existing anomalies are not detected (e.g. a defect in the cardiac septum, a small cleft lip and palate, small defects in the spinal column, finger/toe anomalies). The ability to assess the child may be limited by unfavorable examination conditions. These include, for example, a reduced amount of amniotic fluid, unfavorable fetal position, strong maternal abdominal wall and scars. This means that there is still a residual risk of anomalies. However, it can be said that around 80% of clinically significant structural and non-chromosomal malformations can be detected by ultrasound. Intelligence or the function of sensory organs, such as eyes and ears, cannot be predicted prenatally. We would like to point out that chromosomal disorders (e.g. trisomy 21 = Down's syndrome), metabolic disorders and syndromic diseases cannot be ruled out by ultrasound examination. To reliably rule out these disorders, invasive procedures such as placental puncture or amniocentesis would be necessary. The NIPT (non-invasive prenatal test) is available as a non-invasive screening procedure (screening test) for trisomy 21, which can be carried out in consultation with you following a risk assessment. If questions about genetic aspects arise during the preliminary consultation, from your own or family history or on the basis of the ultrasound examination, we recommend human genetic counseling.

A normal ultrasound result does not mean that the child is normally developed and healthy. With your signature you declare that you have taken note of and understood the limitations of the ultrasound examination.

In the event of psychological or ethical conflicts during the examination, for example in the case of abnormal findings, we can arrange psychosocial conflict counseling at any time on request. I agree that ultrasound images of my examinations may be stored securely and analyzed anonymously by the practice for quality assurance purposes.

I was informed about the planned examination by the doctor in an information session.

I would like a copy of the information sheet: No Yes

I would like to receive special genetic counseling before / after the ultrasound examination:

Only in case of abnormal findings: No Yes

I read the information about the ultrasound examination and understood the explanation. I was able to ask my personal questions during the consultation. These were explained in detail and in a way that I could understand. I agree to the examination and do not need any further time to think about it.

I have been informed about the right not to know and the right to withdraw my consent. I am aware that a prenatal examination can produce findings that may cause a conflict situation. I have been informed about the possibility of taking advantage of conflict counseling.

In our practice, all data is recorded electronically and stored in compliance with the data protection guidelines. The legally prescribed retention period for the findings collected is at least 10 years. For scientific purposes in the practice as well as for yourself and your descendants, it may make sense to keep the data for longer than 10 years.

I agree to the planned examination: Yes No

I agree that the data collected may be stored for longer than 10 years: Yes No

I consent to the transmission of the results of the ultrasound examination as follows:

Gynecologist:

Other doctors / persons:

Notes on the personal conversation:

Date and place:

Signature of pregnant woman: Signature of doctor:

If you have any questions about the "General Data Protection Regulation", "Patients' Rights Act" and "Genetic Diagnostics Act", please contact us directly. The laws can be viewed at the registration desk.