Patient information



Electromyography and nerve conduction studies

What is electromyography (EMG) and nerve conduction studies (NCS)?

EMG and NCS involve sensors being applied to the skin, or a fine needle inserted into the muscle, so that biological signals can be recorded following presentation of a stimulus. There are various types of EMG/NCS procedures and the number performed will depend on what information is needed by the referring doctor.

How long will the procedure take?

Generally the length of the examination is between 20 and 60 minutes.

Appointment booking and how it works

A letter will be sent to you when booking is available, which will ask you to telephone the booking team. The booking line is open between 10am and 1pm Monday to Friday. Call 01444 441881 ext 68650 or 01444 448650.

If you have not heard from the team within **six weeks** please contact Hurstwood Park to arrange booking.

Where does the appointment take place?

Your appointment will take place at Hurstwood Park Neurosciences Centre at The Princess Royal Hospital in Haywards Heath:

Neurosciences Centre Hurstwood Park Centre The Princess Royal Hospital Lewes Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 4EX



How to get to Hurstwood Park

You can get to Hurstwood Park by car, by bus or by train to Haywards Heath train station. From Haywards Heath train station you will need to walk for 33 minutes or get a bus or a taxi. Bus routes that stop near The Princess Royal Hospital include numbers 270, 271, 272, 33 and 39.

Patient transport

Patients may be eligible for patient transport. Please telephone 0300 1239 841.

Sources of information

Please contact Hurstwood Park 01444 441881

Important information

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Your comments

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Hand hygiene

We are committed to maintaining a clean, safe environment. Hand hygiene is very important in controlling infection. Alcohol gel is widely available at the patient bedside for staff use and at the entrance of each clinical area for visitors to clean their hands before and after entering.

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After reading this information are there any questions you would like to ask? Please list below and ask your nurse or doctor.

Reference

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