

# MRI: Pediatric Scanner

## Social Story

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Resource Developed by the Child Life Program  
Yale New Haven Children's Hospital

I will be coming to Yale New Haven Children's Hospital. I will come to the Smilow entrance.

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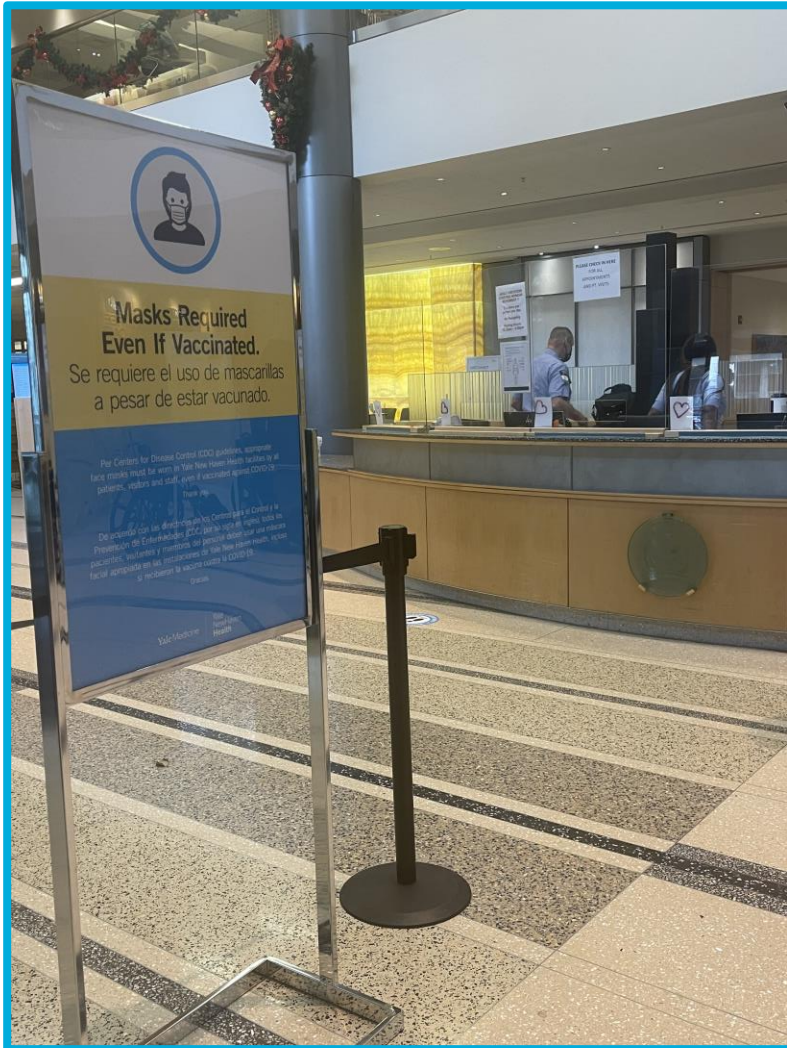
# I will get out of the car at the valet.

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# This is what I will see when I come into the doors of the hospital.

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I will check in at the front desk.

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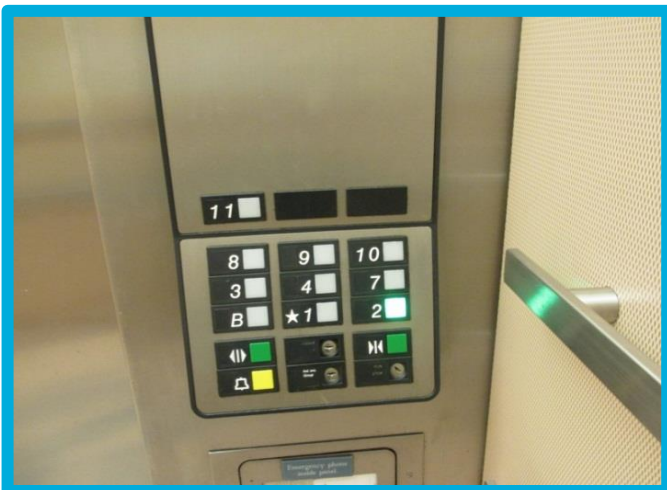
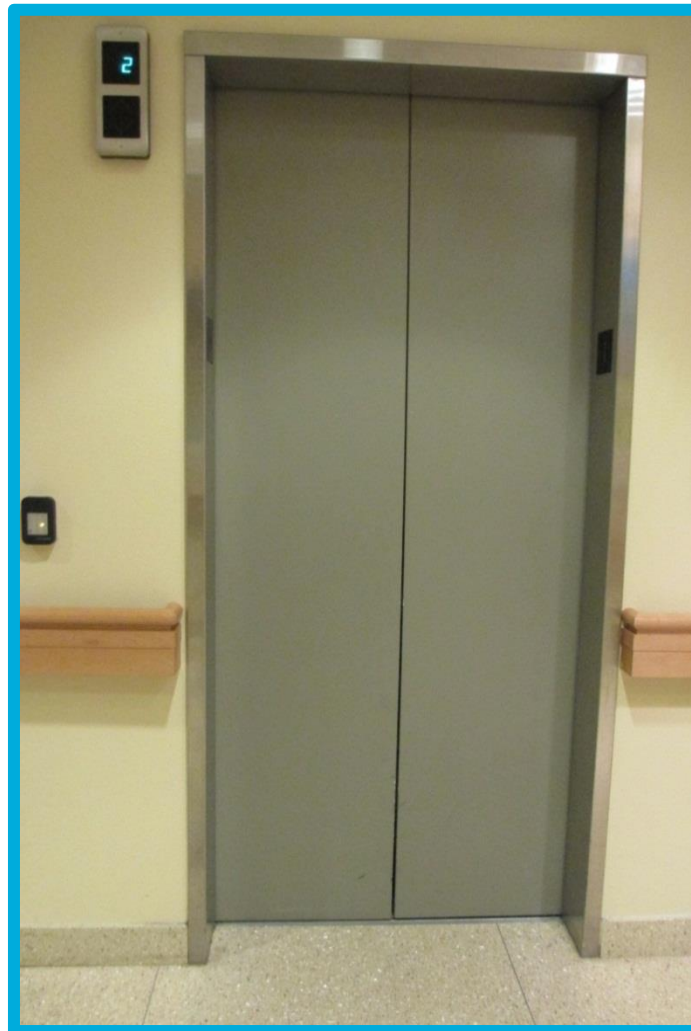
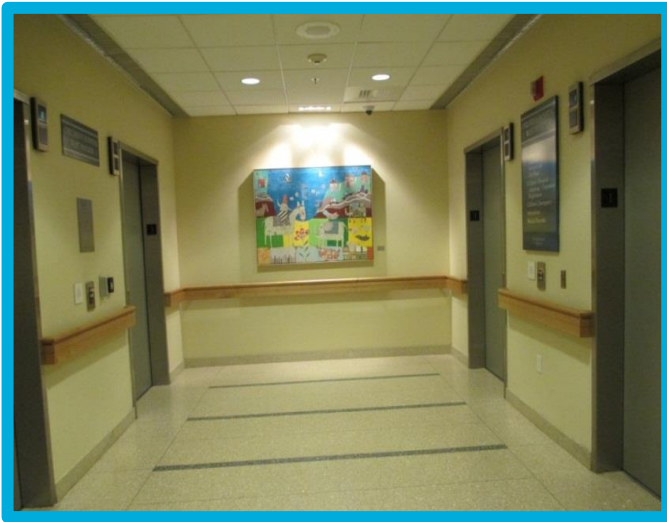
# I will walk to the elevator.

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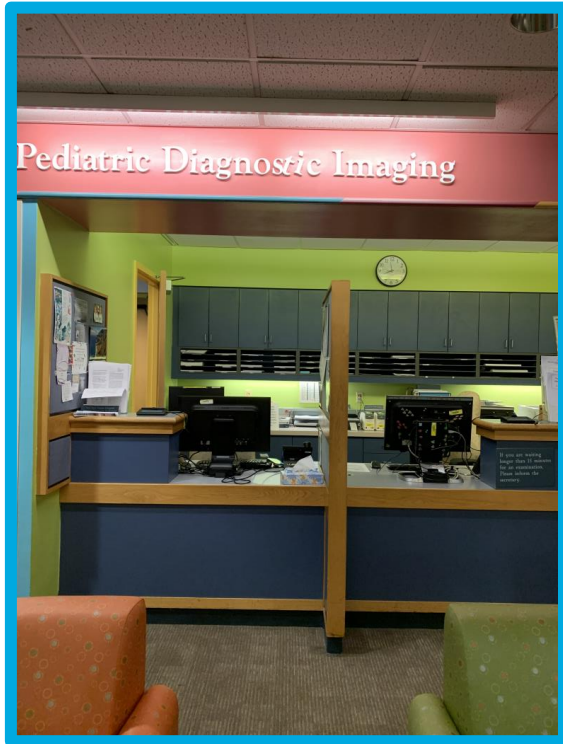
# I will take the elevator to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

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# I will go to the Pediatric Specialty Center to check in.

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I will check in at this desk.

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I will get a bracelet  
with my name and birthday on it.

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I will wait in the waiting room.

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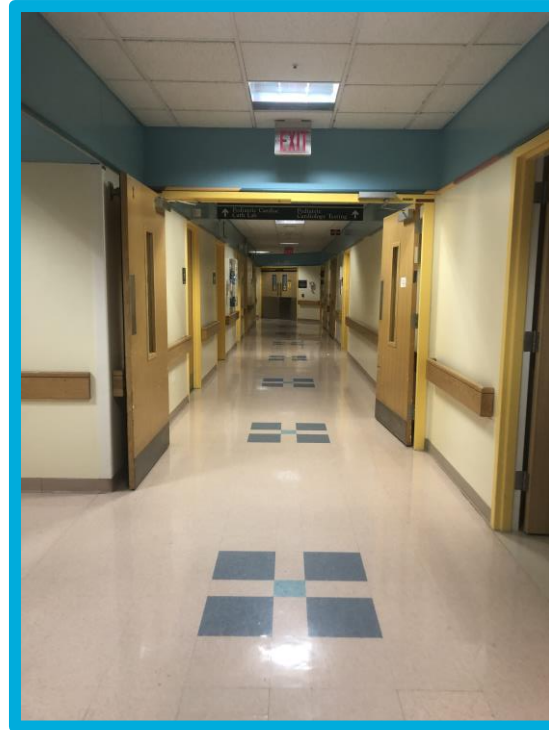
I can play with the train table.

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I will go through these doors when my name is called.

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I will meet a child life specialist.

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**A child life specialist helps me learn about my pictures and makes my MRI easier.**

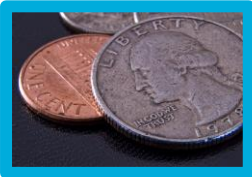
I will change into hospital pajamas.

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# I will put my things into the locker.

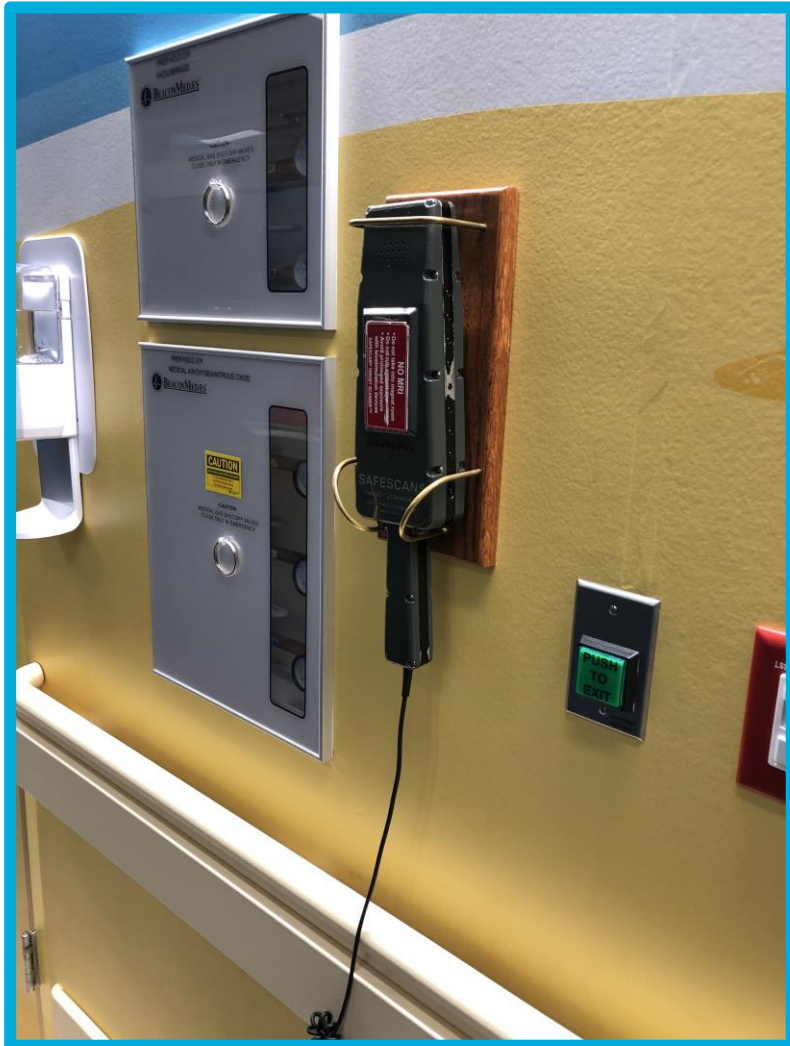
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I will be checked for metal with a special wand.

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I will go to the room with the MRI camera.

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I will use ear plugs.

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**I will hear loud, knocking sounds during my pictures.**

I will lie still for my MRI pictures.

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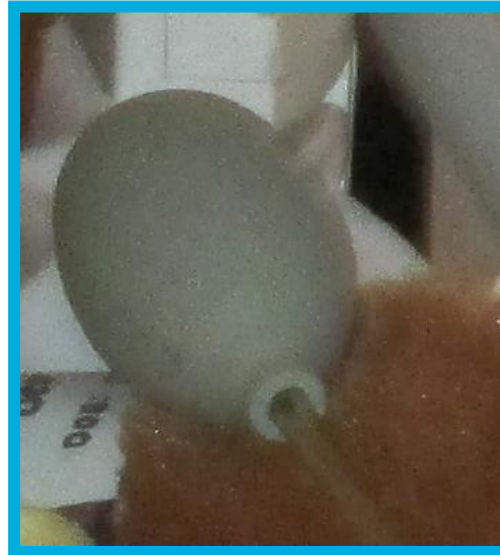
The camera will not touch me. The pictures will not hurt.

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I will squeeze the ball only if I really need to stop.

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My family member will sit in the chair in the MRI camera room.

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I will sit up when my pictures are all done.

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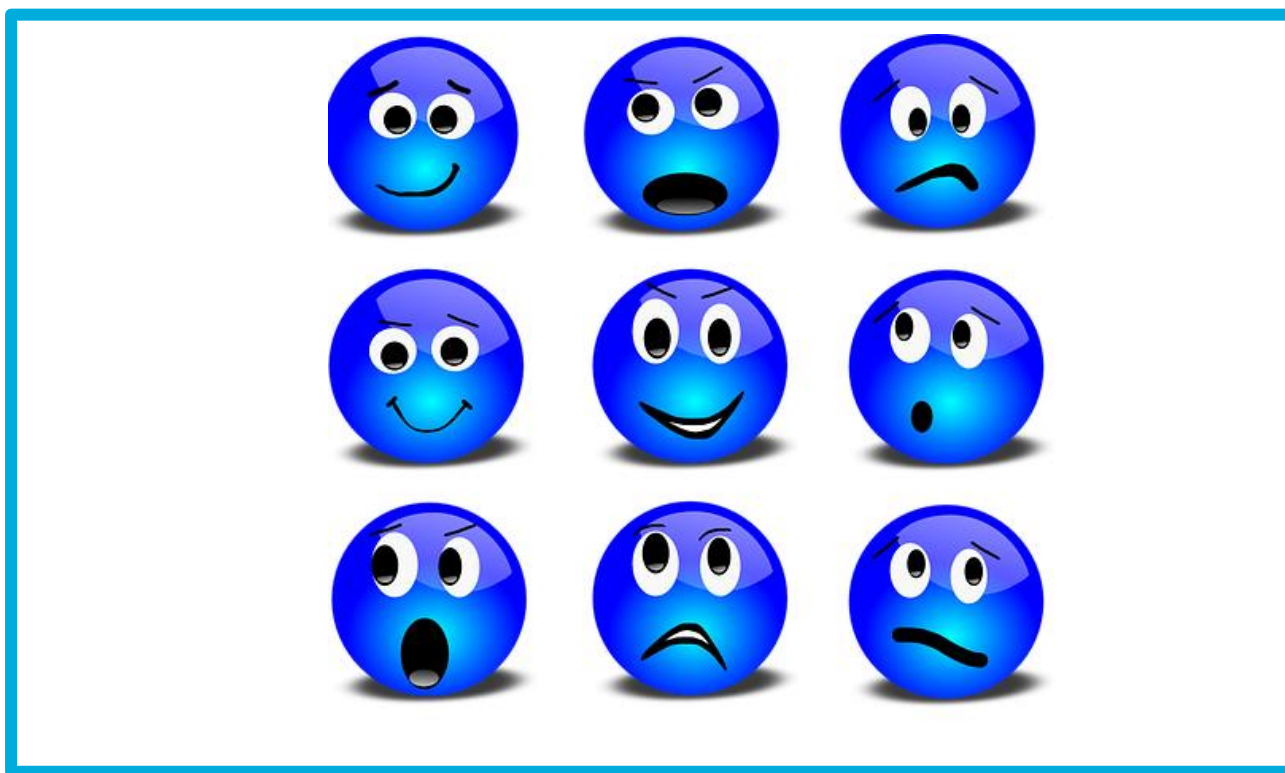
I am all done and I did a great job!

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I feel ...

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... about my MRI pictures.

I can ask questions about my visit  
to the child life specialist or another staff member.

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**The questions I have  
are ...**

# These things may help me cope better at the hospital.

One person speaks



Buzzy



Freeze spray



EMLA



Counting



Lights off



Noise cancellation headphones



Comfort / Transitional item

I-Pad / Electronics / Music



Timer for transitions



Fidget toys



Weighted lap pad / Blanket



Chew toys



Rocking / Movement toys



Cause & Effect / Sound toys



# For Parents: Directions to Smilow Cancer Hospital for your visit to Yale New Haven Children's Hospital

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## Address:

35 Park St. New Haven, CT 06510

## Upon your arrival:

- Pull into the valet circle.
- You will be greeted by the valet who will issue you a valet ticket and assist you to the hospital.
- Your car will be parked in a secure lot.
- When you are ready to leave, you can return to the valet location, the valet will accept your ticket and calculate any applicable parking charges.
- Once inside the hospital, please check in at the Smilow Cancer Hospital front desk where you will be directed to your appointment.
- If you have questions or concerns regarding the check in process, please contact 203-688-2334 for assistance.