

Bath BabyView Terms and Conditions

Please take time to read through these terms and conditions. It may affect the decision you make as to whether you would still like to have a private scan.

After you have read these terms and conditions, please sign the consent at the bottom of the next page to say that you agree to our terms.

- Bath BabyView private scans are **NOT** intended to replace or supersede the NHS screening scans offered at 12 and 20 weeks.
- We routinely perform a transvaginal ultrasound scan for early pregnancy reassurance.
 - *In early pregnancy, lower abdominal pain and/or vaginal blood loss can be early symptoms of a **miscarriage**. If you experience these symptoms, we strongly recommend you contact your GP or midwife urgently for Early Pregnancy assessment. Additionally, if you have any concerns regarding your pregnancy, we recommend you contact your GP or midwife in the first instance.*
 - If an intrauterine pregnancy cannot be identified on a scan, another scan may be offered in 7-14 days depending on the ultrasound findings in accordance with Royal College of Gynaecologists guidelines^[1].
- Bath BabyView private scans are **NOT** medical examinations and are intended to offer an early opportunity to see your baby on a scan. If, however, the Sonographer is concerned for any reason, we will recommend you contact your midwife or a screening midwife at the earliest opportunity. We will, with your permission, send a copy of the report to your NHS care provider. It is your responsibility to ensure that you then consult with your NHS care provider. Within the BANES district we have referral pathways in place should it be required.
- Biological sex scans are very reliable. In a recent audit at the RUH, our accuracy in sex determination was calculated at 97% at the 20 week anomaly scan. However, we cannot guarantee the sex of your baby, and will not be held responsible for any errors. In addition, results of biological sex scans are aimed at addressing curiosity, maternal and paternal bonding, and for new-born preparations. The results must not be used for the purposes of sex selection.

- The clarity of the scan and pictures will depend on the position of the baby (e.g. decreased visibility at advanced gestation), the placenta, and the amount of fluid around your baby. If the sound has to pass through an increased amount of maternal body tissue (skin, fat and muscle) the pictures may not be as clear.
- At Bath BabyView, we have a responsibility to protect our client's from overexposure, and we comply with standards issued by the British Medical Ultrasound Society ^[2].
- The British Medical Ultrasound Society (BMUS) set guidelines for thermal and mechanical indices and recommend limiting scanning times for obstetric ultrasound to protect unborn babies from the thermal effects of ultrasound.
 - We anticipate that clients will have at least two scans as part of the Fetal Anomaly Screening Programme ^[3]. Scan times for private ultrasound scans will not be exceeded, and no examination will be performed less than 10 days from the previous examination.
- Depending on current hospital policies, the number of people that may accompany you to your scan may vary. This will be discussed with you at the time of booking.
- A waiting room is available, but the Trust will not be responsible for any damage, loss of property or injuries incurred.
- Trust policy prevents the recording of examinations.
- Images are supplied in JPEG format, and movies are MP4. These can be viewed on most computers running Microsoft Windows and Apple devices.
- Multimedia pictures and 4D movies can be provided on an unencrypted USB stick as part of your package, or at an additional cost. Following purchase, the USB stick will become the property of the client and the Trust will not be responsible for any damage or loss relating to the USB or its content.
- Private obstetric scans are stored using a Radiology database which is utilised for Radiology services throughout the hospital. As this service is provided by an NHS organisation, patient information is held in a secure and confidential manner. Details of how personal and confidential information is collected, used and shared can be viewed at: https://www.ruh.nhs.uk/privacy/index.asp?menu_id=new.

- Should you have any questions regarding the collection and use of your personal data, you can seek further guidance from the Information Governance Team at the RUH on 01225 826268 or via email at ruh-tr.IGQueries@nhs.net.
- The Trust Data Protection Officer can also be contacted at:
 RUH Bath, Combe Park, Bath BA1 3NG, 01225 824416 or email at ruh-tr.IGQueries@nhs.net
- We may retain a backup of your ultrasound scan for 1 month. This is to give you the opportunity to request additional images should you wish to do so. After this time, the images will be deleted in accordance with the Trust's confidential manner.
- If you cancel within 48 hours of your scheduled appointment, no refund will be provided.

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS LISTED ABOVE.

Print Name:

Signed:

Date:

Sonographer initials:.....

References

¹ Hinshaw K. The Management of Early Pregnancy Loss. Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Green - Top Guideline (No.25), October 2006, RCOG Press, London (www.rcog.org.uk)

²The British Medical Ultrasound Society (2009) Guidelines for the safe use of diagnostic ultrasound equipment. [online] available from <https://www.bmus.org/static/uploads/resources/BMUS-Safety-Guidelines-2009-revision-FINAL-Nov-2009.pdf>

³Fetal Anomaly Screening Programme (2010) NHS FASP 18+0 to 20+6 weeks Fetal Anomaly Scan National Standards and Guidance for England. Copyright FASP 2010