# Where should I go for an MRI, CT scan, mammogram or other medical imaging?



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Did you know you have a choice on where you go for imaging services? While your doctor may refer you to your local hospital, standalone imaging centers are a great alternative to consider for medical imaging services.

## What is a standalone imaging center?

Standalone imaging centers are not owned by a hospital or health system—they are privately owned. They are also known as independent, freestanding, or outpatient imaging centers.

### SERVICES PROVIDED

Standalone imaging centers provide medical imaging services. Services vary among providers and locations but may include the following:



MRIs



CT scans



Breast imaging



Ultrasound



X-ray



Bone density tests



**EKG** 



**Nuclear Medicine** 



Image-guided injection procedures and biopsies



Treatment for vascularrelated conditions



# ADVANTAGES OF STANDALONE IMAGING CENTER Services are specific, which reduces exposure to hospital-based communicable illnesses Saves you time and money Ease of parking More scheduling options for appointments Lower wait times

# How to Schedule an Appointment

- Ask your medical provider to write an order for the diagnostic procedure you need that you can take anywhere. Even if you are referred to the hospital, you can take your doctor's order to a standalone imaging center.
- 2. Locate a standalone imaging center near you by visiting fchn.com.
  - Click on the 'Our Services' dropdown and then select 'PPO Provider Network' and 'Find a Provider'
  - Click on 'Employer/Group/Trust Name' and enter "Montana Credit Union League—00530—Employee Benefit Management Services Big Sky"
  - Select network in the grey bar 'EBMS: Employee Benefit Management Services', click 'Continue'
  - Once the system loads, enter your city/state and in the 'Specialty' box type "Radiology Facility", click on 'Update Search'
- Call to schedule your appointment.

Ease of billing: the center may provide one global bill that includes all fees for your exam rather than sending separate bills for technical, professional, and facility fees



### **RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU**

For assistance in locating a standalone imaging center near you, please contact:

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