



Echocardiography (for the Fetus)

1.0 WHAT IS IT?

A fetal echocardiogram is a special ultrasound test that looks closely at a baby's heart while still in the womb. It shows the structure and function of the heart to check for any problems before birth.

2.0 HOW SAFE IS IT FOR ME?

A fetal echocardiogram uses the same ultrasound technology as routine pregnancy scans, which is well established as safe.

3.0 ISSUES FOR THE MOTHER

The exam is non-invasive and painless, though it may take a bit longer than a standard ultrasound because it looks at the baby's heart in detail.