

### Important Information

Baby Bonding Scans at Yeovil are not undertaken as fetal abnormality checks.

This service has been chosen by you, voluntarily and in addition to your NHS routine scans.

If, however, we suspect that there might be a problem, this will be explained in as much detail as possible.

With your consent, we will contact your Consultant team or midwife responsible for your care, and a full report will be sent to your health professionals.

**Please note:** This will be done on the next working day as we are unable to contact people out of hours.

### How Clear Will My Scan Be?

The quality and detail of any scan can be affected by many things, including the position of your baby, the amount of fluid around your baby, and maternal size.

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.

### Baby Bonding at Yeovil - Our Aim

Ultimately, we hope you find your Baby Bonding Scan at Yeovil Women's Hospital a reassuring and enjoyable experience.

### For Further Information

Should you wish to discuss this service with a Sonographer please contact:

**Andrea Gane:** 01935 384508

**Jane Chippett:** 01935 384508

or

**Steve Savage:** 01935 384275

or email: [babybonding@ydh.nhs.uk](mailto:babybonding@ydh.nhs.uk)

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## 4D Baby Bonding Scans

An exciting service to see your baby



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## Why Choose Baby Bonding Scans?

*“It seems such a long time to have to wait after my 19 week scan before I see my baby”*

*“My partner had to work and he so wanted to see my scan”*

*“Do you know where I can go for other scans?”*

We appreciate how important it is for you, your partner, and close family to have the reassurance of ‘seeing’ your baby and forming a bond before birth, so Yeovil Hospital has launched an affordable, out-of-hours Baby Bonding Scan service.

This exciting established service does not replace your dating and anomaly scans arranged by your midwife. It is important for you and your baby’s welfare that you attend all your normal routine antenatal appointments with your health care team.

It does however offer you the opportunity to purchase a baby bonding scan at a time more convenient for family and friends to join you, if you wish, to provide you with an extra ‘look’ at your baby.

With state-of-the-art modern equipment we can now scan in 4D. 4D is a moving 3D image, the 4th dimension being time. The images we print are static, so they become 3D. The clarity of your scan and pictures depends on the position of your baby and the placenta, the amount of fluid around your baby and maternal size. The best time to have a 4D scan is 26 to 30 weeks.

During your 20 minute scan you can enjoy seeing your baby, maybe it will be yawning or sucking its thumb.

All scans are performed by our highly qualified and experienced obstetric sonographers at the convenient location of Yeovil Women’s Hospital on the ground floor, in the maternity ultrasound department.

Due to the size of the room, we request that you do not bring more than 6 people with you. Children are welcome to attend this scan.

We are able to provide you with a CD of your 3D static colour images and 8 black and white thermal prints.

**Please note:** We cannot do DVDs.

## When to Book

We suggest you have your NHS scans before booking a bonding scan. However, if you cannot wait that long, please note that this service does not replace your screening scans.

## Scan Cost

A 4D Baby Bonding scan costs £65 for a 20 minute scan.

## How to Book an Appointment

Please telephone:

**01935 384907** or **01935 384576**

**Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm**

Debit/credit card payment is required once you have booked your scan. You will need to phone the hospital **General Office** on **01935 384317** to do this. The office is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 12.30pm.

If you do not have a credit/debit card, payment can be made at the hospital General Office by cash or cheque.

Payment cannot be taken by the Sonographer on the evening. Please pay in advance. If payment has not been received 3 working days prior to your scan appointment, we reserve the right to cancel your appointment.