

Asheville Women's Medical Center recognizes the valuable bonding experience that an ultrasound can provide for patients and their partners during pregnancy. We understand that many of our patients seek out additional and alternative imaging options; therefore Asheville Women's Medical Center is pleased to offer a free 4D ultrasound to all obstetric patients.

Per American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, "Currently, there is no reliable evidence that ultrasound is harmful to a developing fetus. No links have been found between ultrasound and birth defects, childhood cancer, or developmental problems later in life. However, it is possible that effects could be identified in the future. For this reason, it is recommended that ultrasound exams be performed only for medical reasons by qualified health care providers."

This 4D ultrasound is optional and offered between 28 and 32 weeks of pregnancy. This scan is not indicated or appropriate for medical or diagnostic purposes and is not a substitute for medically indicated scans. It will not be reviewed by a physician and will be performed at a time separate from your scheduled prenatal visit.

We cannot guarantee that the images will be similar to those you might have seen elsewhere or even from our office. Every baby scans differently depending on its gestational age, position, amount of fluid, and mother's condition. We promise to make every effort to obtain the best possible images of whatever parts of the baby can be seen.

Please talk to your provider if you have any questions or concerns.

I acknowledge that I have read this waiver and:

I accept a 4D ultrasound

patient signature

date

I decline a 4D ultrasound

patient signature

date