

# 8 MRI Questions to ask your physician

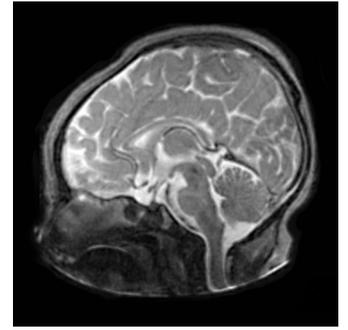
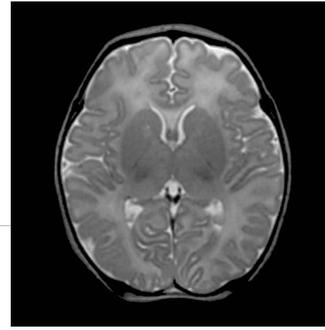


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- 2 What do the parts of the brain do that are impacted?
- 3 What have you seen clinically and in research associated with this type of injury pattern?
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- 5 What is unique about a baby brain vs. an adult?
- 6 What are some things that will help stimulate my child's neurological and developmental growth?
- 7 What is the recommendation of any repeat MRIs? What would you hope to see?
- 8 Would additional MRIs change the course of treatment?

As a parent, having your baby in the NICU can be an extremely emotional and stressful experience. While every situation is unique, a number of procedures and tests may have to be performed in order to properly diagnose and care for your little one. These events, together with fear of the unknown can often be the source of increased anxiety and concern. But knowledge is power as well as comfort, particularly when it comes to 'MRI Day'.

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) provides a more detailed view of your baby's brain than that which can be obtained with an ultrasound, CT scan or X-ray. If an MRI is ordered for your baby, you may have a number of questions for your care team. But where do you begin? Here are a few key questions posed by NICU parents themselves, who have already experienced 'MRI Day' with their baby. To help reduce the anxiety of 'MRI Day', share this document with your NICU care team to learn more about the MRI scanning process and how it can provide valuable insight and support for the care of your baby.

# NOTES



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