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During your Emergency Department visit today you had an image test (for example: an x-ray, CAT scan, MRI, or ultrasound).

Image tests help your doctors look for problems inside the body that can be dangerous.

Sometimes, these image tests show surprising findings. We do not know how these findings will affect your health. In most people, these surprising findings do not cause any health problems. However, in some people, they can be an early health problem that is just starting.

We recommend that you talk about these findings with a doctor that can watch you over time. It is possible, but not likely, that this finding could be the early part of a problem that might affect your long-term health.

In your case:	
- The image test that showed an unexpected finding was	
- The finding that requires follow-up is	·
- The recommended time you should follow-up with a doctor is	