

COMPARE COSTS BEFORE YOU GO

When your doctor wants you to have high-end imaging, like an MRI, it's good to follow their advice. But have you ever asked about the cost for these services?

The cost for high-end radiology can vary by hundreds of dollars, depending on where you have it done. If it's not an emergency, ask your doctor about the cost before making an appointment. If your doctor doesn't know, ask the testing center or hospital directly.

Why do costs vary for the same medical service?

Some of it depends on where you live. Healthcare costs are generally higher in more expensive places to live, such as New York and Boston. But the place where you receive care also matters.

Hospitals have a high cost of doing business because they stay open 24 hours a day and offer so many services. If you can choose where to have a service, you'll often pay less at a freestanding facility than at a hospital.

You can compare costs by logging in to your [myBCBSRI](#) account and clicking on "Find a Cost." You'll see how much you would have to pay, based on your plan.

You'll find real results like the estimated average costs below.

MRI of the knee*

\$380

at a freestanding testing location

\$1,195

at a local hospital

CHECK BEFORE YOU GO

Coverage for high-end radiology can vary depending on the type of facility that you visit. If you select a facility that is hospital-owned, your cost share for services performed there could be higher than for services performed at a freestanding facility.

To make an informed choice, ask the facility if they are hospital-owned or freestanding before making an appointment.

So what should you do before you have a test?

1. Ask your doctor about costs at various locations. If they aren't sure, ask the labs or hospitals you are considering. You can also consult the attached listing to look for freestanding imaging facilities near you.
2. Log in to your myBCBSRI account and click on "Find a Cost" then select the facility or procedure you are considering to get an idea of how much you will have to pay based on your plan.

*Estimated average costs are not an exact calculation of your actual costs and do not reflect all of the terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions that may apply to your coverage. Your actual costs will vary depending upon the specifics of your benefit plan and the particular services and supplies you receive.

[More helpful information >](#)

Freestanding facilities – Rhode Island

ADVANCED RADIOLOGY INC	100 SMITHFIELD AVENUE 1002 WATERMAN AVENUE 101 AIRPORT ROAD 1195 N MAIN STREET 148 W RIVER STREET 335 CENTERVILLE ROAD 501 GREAT ROAD 525 BROAD STREET, STE 202 594 GREAD ROAD, STE 102A	PAWTUCKET, RI 02860 EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02914 WESTERLY, RI 02891 PROVIDENCE, RI 02906 PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 WARWICK, RI 02886 NORTH SMITHFIELD, RI 02896 CUMBERLAND, RI 02864 NORTH SMITHFIELD, RI 02896	401-475-1891 401-632-0888 401-315-0095 401-383-5621 401-621-5800 401-921-1800 401-766-3900 401-727-4600 401-766-3900
OAK STREET HEALTH	2000 DIAMOND HILL ROAD, STE 18 300 QUAKER LANE, #C2-4 650 BRANCH AVENUE, UNIT 6 712 BROAD STREET	WOONSOCKET, RI 02895 WARWICK, RI 02886 PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 PROVIDENCE, RI 02907	401-236-8820 401-233-5051 401-233-5055 401-262-4421
OPEN MRI OF NEW ENGLAND INC	1002 WATERMAN AVENUE 101 AIRPORT ROAD 148 W RIVER STREET 335 CENTERVILLE ROAD 501 GREAT ROAD, STE 201 525 BROAD STREET	EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02914 WESTERLY, RI 02891 PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 WARWICK, RI 02886 NORTH SMITHFIELD, RI 02896 CUMBERLAND, RI 02864	401-431-5200 401-315-0095 401-621-5800 401-732-3205 401-766-3900 401-725-6736
RHODE ISLAND MEDICAL IMAGING - RIMI	1 RANDALL SQUARE 11 FRIENDSHIP STREET 1301 RESERVOIR AVENUE 1351 S COUNTY TRAIL, RTE 2 S 1500 MINERAL SPRING AVENUE 1525 WAMPANOAG TRAIL 1526 ATWOOD AVENUE, STE LL3 164 SUMMIT AVENUE 2 WAKE ROBIN ROAD, STE 107 200 HIGH SERVICE AVENUE 250 TOLL GATE ROAD 333 SCHOOL STREET, STE 105 450 VETERANS MEMORIAL PKWY, BLDG 2 593 EDDY STREET 6 BLACKSTONE VALLEY PL, STE 506 & 515 825 CHALKSTONE AVENUE 851 MAIN STREET 900 WARREN AVENUE, STE 100 982 TIOGUE AVENUE	PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 NEWPORT, RI 02840 CRANSTON, RI 02920 EAST GREENWICH, RI 02818 NORTH PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02915 JOHNSTON, RI 02919 PROVIDENCE, RI 02906 LINCOLN, RI 02865 NORTH PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 WARWICK, RI 02886 PAWTUCKET, RI 02860 EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02914 PROVIDENCE, RI 02903 LINCOLN, RI 02865 PROVIDENCE, RI 02908 WARREN, RI 02885 EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02914 COVENTRY, RI 02816	401-272-5500 401-846-6400 401-921-9316 401-884-8125 401-921-9314 401-433-1166 401-331-0900 401-793-4480 401-475-2699 401-456-3765 401-921-9315 401-728-3040 401-435-3041 401-444-5174 401-334-3693 401-456-2032 401-247-3091 401-383-9662 401-615-2588

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SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND RADIOLOGY	700 AQUIDNECK AVENUE	MIDDLETOWN, RI 02842	401-846-1139
TOLLGATE RADIOLOGY LLC	1050 WARWICK AVENUE	WARWICK, RI 02888	401-738-3100
	106 NATE WHIPPLE HIGHWAY	CUMBERLAND, RI 02864	401-738-3100
	300 TOLL GATE ROAD	WARWICK, RI 02886	401-738-3100
	45 GILBANE STREET	WARWICK, RI 02886	401-738-3100
XRA MEDICAL IMAGING	100 KENYON AVENUE	WAKEFIELD, RI 02879	401-782-8020
	1000 BROAD STREET	CENTRAL FALLS, RI 02863	401-726-1800
	115 CASS AVENUE	WOONSOCKET, RI 02895	401-769-4100
	1524 ATWOOD AVENUE	JOHNSTON, RI 02919	401-351-1570
	227 CENTERVILLE ROAD	WARWICK, RI 02886	401-737-0884
	345 VALLEY ROAD	MIDDLETOWN, RI 02842	401-842-0707
	41 SANDERSON ROAD, STE 109	SMITHFIELD, RI 02917	401-949-0027
	455 TOLL GATE ROAD	WARWICK, RI 02886	401-737-7000
	481 KINGSTOWN ROAD	WAKEFIELD, RI 02879	401-792-9840
	65 SOCKANOSSET CROSS ROAD	CRANSTON, RI 02920	401-943-1454
695 EDDY STREET, STE 15	PROVIDENCE, RI 02903	401-842-0707	

Freestanding facilities in nearby Massachusetts

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND RADIOLOGY	101 PAGE STREET	NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740	508-997-1515
	1030 PRESIDENT AVENUE	FALL RIVER, MA 02720	508-973-3000
	1565 NORTH MAIN STREET, STE 306	FALL RIVER, MA 02720	508-675-0369
	206 MILL ROAD	FAIRHAVEN, MA 02719	508-973-3030
	208 MILL ROAD	FAIRHAVEN, MA 02719	508-973-3000
	300 B FAUNCE CORNER ROAD	NORTH DARTMOUTH, MA 02747	508-998-0600
	363 HIGHLAND AVENUE	FALL RIVER, MA 02720	508-679-7136
	827 LEGION HIGHWAY, STE 1	WESTPORT, MA 02790	508-973-1540
	874 PURCHASE STREET	NEW BEDFORD, MA 02740	508-342-4400
2527 CRANBERRY HIGHWAY	WAREHAM, MA 02571	800-276-0103	
STEWART PET IMAGING	70 WALNUT STREET	FOXBORO, MA 02035	877-877-8455
	535 FAUNCE CORNER ROAD	DARTMOUTH, MA 02747	877-877-8455
XRA MEDICAL IMAGING	60 MESSENGER STREET	PLAINVILLE, MA 02762	508-695-9933

Freestanding facilities in nearby Connecticut

DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING SERVICES	101 N PLAINS INDUSTRIAL ROAD	WALLINGFORD, CT 06492	203-694-8405
MERIDEN IMAGING CENTER INC	101 N PLAINS INDUSTRIAL ROAD	WALLINGFORD, CT 06492	203-949-2700

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