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EMG & NERVE CONDUCTION STUDY

EMG (Electromyogram) is a study whereby a small needle is inserted into several muscles in the arm and/or leg. One muscle is tested at a time. This study is done to evaluate a patient for various diseases of the muscle. If there are problems with the nerves to that muscle, the muscles also often show abnormalities.

The NCT or PNCV (nerve conduction test or peripheral nerve conduction velocity) is conducted by giving a series of very small shocks to different points on different nerves. The nerve conduction velocity is then measured to determine if there is a problem in that nerve at one or several possible points along the nerve. Although slight discomfort is involved in this testing, it is very rarely a source of any significant discomfort. The studies will be terminated, of course, if the patient so requests.

For these studies no sedation is required. The patient if otherwise able to do so, can drive himself to the office and from the office. You can eat your usual meals. No preparation is needed. For the EMG and nerve conduction test, your skin should be clean. Do not put any creams or lotions on the arms or hands, or on the legs and feet on the day of testing. Sometime both legs are tested, sometimes both arms, and sometimes one leg and one arm, depending on your individual problem.

The testing is done in the Fort Worth office unless otherwise indicated.

POLICY FOR CANCELLATIONS: IF IT NECESSARY FOR YOU TO CANCEL YOUR TESTING, please do so at least one full weekday before your appointment. Otherwise because of technician and equipment time involved, it will be necessary to bill a charge of \$80.00.