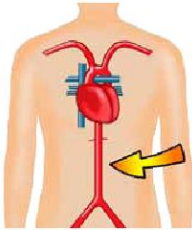


Health Screening

AAA Screening – what to expect...



The **aorta** is a big blood vessel that takes blood from your heart around your body.



As some people get older, the aorta can get weak and swell up - this is called an **abdominal aortic aneurysm**.

Men aged 65 and older are most likely to get this sort of aneurysm.



Men will receive an invitation for AAA screening the year they turn 65.



They then ask you to lie down and lift up or unbutton your shirt.

The technician will put a cool jelly on your abdomen and then move a small scanner over the skin.



The scan will show a picture of the aorta on a screen.

You will be told your result straight away.