

NOW OFFERING BONE DENSITY IN WEST BRANCH



The McLaren Bay Region Diagnostic Imaging Services is happy to offer Bone Density Screening in our West Branch location.

Bone density testing can help to detect low bone density before a fracture occurs and they can confirm a diagnosis of osteoporosis if you have already fractured a bone.

Bone density tests are painless, noninvasive and safe. There may be some discomfort during manipulation of the body, especially if a patient has a recent injury. Because radiation is involved, it should not be performed if the patient is pregnant. Other restrictions apply.

Bone densitometry testing is strongly recommended if you:

- Are a post-menopausal woman and not taking estrogen.
- Have a personal or maternal history of hip fracture or smoking.
- Are a post-menopausal woman who is tall (over 5 feet 7 inches) or thin (less than 125 pounds).
- Are a man with clinical conditions associated with bone loss.
- Use medications that are known to cause bone loss, including corticosteroids such as Prednisone, various anti-seizure medications such as Dilantin and certain barbiturates, or high-dose thyroid replacement drugs.
- Have type 1 diabetes, liver disease, kidney disease, or a family history of osteoporosis.
- Have high bone turnover, which shows up in the form of excessive collagen in urine samples.
- Have a thyroid condition, such as hyperthyroidism.
- Have a parathyroid condition, such as hyperparathyroidism.
- Have experienced a fracture after only mild trauma.
- Have had x-ray evidence of vertebral fracture or other signs of osteoporosis.

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