

## **Preparation Guidelines of Prostatic Ultrasound**

- ✓ *Clothing:* Wear loose, comfortable clothing. You may need to remove clothing or jewelry from the area being examined.
- ✓ Fasting: Depending on the type of scan, your doctor may advise avoiding food or drink for up to 12 hours prior to the procedure.
- ✓ Full Bladder: Some exams may require drinking several glasses of water two hours before the test and avoiding urination until the scan begins.
- ✓ Blood Thinners: If a biopsy is planned, avoid blood thinners (e.g., aspirin) for 7–10 days before the procedure, as directed by your doctor.
- ✓ Enema: An enema may be required 2–4 hours before the ultrasound to clear the bowel.
- ✓ For Children: While uncommon in children, ultrasound procedures require stillness. Preparing the child beforehand can ensure a smooth experience.