

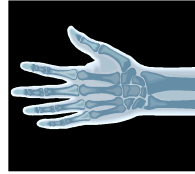
What tests could I be asked to take?

You will probably be asked to have:

Blood Work



X-rays



An ECG (a test for your heart)

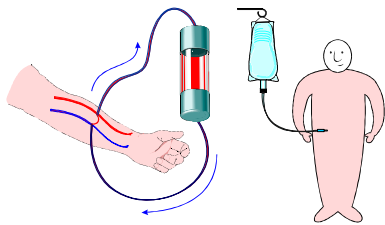


Your doctor may ask you to have other tests as well.

What will these tests tell me?

These tests will give you an idea of what changes you can make to help you feel better. You may be able to make changes in your:

Dialysis prescription



medications



diet



Waste Products

Is there a test that can tell me about the amount of waste material in my body?

We do not know all of the waste products that your kidney would get rid of but there are two waste products that we look at when we are trying to see how well your treatment is working. This is often called dialysis adequacy.



What tests do I look at?

They are urea and creatinine.

What is urea?

Urea is one of the things that is left over when your body has used the protein from the food that you eat and drink.

