

# CT Coronary Calcium Scan - \$149



## What is a Coronary Calcium Score?

Calcium scoring is an effective tool for assessing a patient's risk of heart attack or stroke by detecting calcium buildup in coronary arteries. Test results can be compared to peers of similar age and gender, helping guide next steps in prevention. A lack of calcium suggests a lower risk, potentially reducing the need for medications. This test offers valuable insights for proactive cardiovascular care.

Calcium Score	Risk of Coronary Artery Disease
0	Low risk of heart attack/stroke
0-100	Plaque buildup is present. Intermediate risk of heart attack/stroke. Medications may be recommended.
>100-400	High risk. Medications are recommended.
>400	Very high risk. Medications are recommended. Stress testing may be indicated.

## Who Should Get a CT Coronary Calcium Scan?

This test should be done on certain patients who are over the age of 40 without known heart disease who:

- are hesitant to take provider recommended cholesterol medications
- have a strong family history of heart disease
- have high blood pressure, prior smoking history, or have high cholesterol

## Who Should NOT Have a CT Coronary Calcium Scan?

- Patients who have already had a heart attack or stroke
- Patients with diabetes
- Patients who smoke
- Patients under 40
- Patients with no risk factors for a heart attack
- Patients who have had the test before

## Saint Alphonse (Cost and How to Order):

The test is not typically covered by insurance.

- Self-Pay: Cash/Check/Card: \$69, to be paid at the time of service. Gem State Radiology will send a bill for the reading fee which is \$80. Total is \$149.
- Medicare A&B is the only payor Saint Alphonse will submit a payment to, everything else is self-pay.
- SAMG: Place order in EPIC for CT Heart Calcium score W/O contrast (IMG1264) (CPT 75571)  
Independents: Fax order for CT Heart Calcium score W/O contrast (IMG1264) (CPT 75571) to (208) 367-7788

## Locations Offering CT Coronary Calcium Scans:

Saint Alphonse Regional Medical Center – Boise: Sunday–Saturday

Saint Alphonse Medical Center – Nampa: Monday–Friday

