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## **ELBOW**

## General

Patient sitting with elbow on table

Complete examination versus focused evaluation of area of symptoms

Transverse and longitudinal images as indicated

Power imaging for areas of hypervascularity as needed

## Anterior

Elbow is extended and hand is supinated

Brachialis muscle

Anterior joint recess

Hyaline cartilage of trochlea

Distal biceps brachii tendon- follow to insertion on radial tuberosity

Median nerve

## Medial

Elbow is minimally flexed

Ulnar collateral ligament (UCL)

Common flexor tendon (CFT)

Ulnar nerve

Dynamic imaging

Ligamentous injury to UCL, CFT

Varus stress

Dynamic imaging

Cubital tunnel/abnormal ulnar nerve translation, snapping triceps tendon

Actively flex elbow with transverse transducer position

## Lateral

Arm is rotated inward

Common extensor tendon

Radial collateral ligament complex

Radial head/ annular recess

Capitellum

Radial nerve

## Posterior

Elbow is flexed

Posterior joint recess

Triceps muscle and tendon

Olecranon soft tissues/ bursa (may require gel stand-off)

Trochlear and capitellar hyaline cartilage



# **Related Documents:**

Policy	N/A	
Procedure	N/A	