

A Cystoscopy is a procedure that allows your doctor look inside your urethra and bladder.

Before the procedure, you will take an antibiotic. Make sure you tell your doctor what medications you are allergic to before taking the antibiotic. You will take all your clothing off from the waist down and sit on a special chair with a drape over your lap. Your urethra will be washed with an antibacterial soap and lidocaine jelly will be placed in your urethra to numb it. The doctor will place the scope in your bladder. Some facilities have a camera and monitor that will enable you to visualize what he is looking at through the scope.

After the procedure you will get dressed and make a follow up appointment. You will be able to drive yourself home afterwards.

Make sure you drink plenty of fluids. You may notice some slight bleeding or burning for a few days. This is normal.

Call the doctor if you have heavy bleeding, a fever over 101 or trouble urinating.