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WHAT TO EXPECT DURING A VER/VEP

Visual Evoked Response may also be called a Visual Evoked Potential (VER or VEP) evaluates the visual nervous system of the brain from your eyes to your brainstem.

The technician will measure your head and mark your scalp with a special pencil, to indicate where to attach the electrodes. Those spots on your scalp will then be rubbed with a gritty cream in which the technician will attach flat metal disc electrodes to your scalp.

You will be asked to watch a checkerboard pattern flash for several minutes on a screen or a strobe light is used, and the electrical responses in the brain are recorded.

At the end of your VER/VEP, the technician will carefully remove all the electrodes and cream from your scalp.

The procedure time varies; typically from 1 – 2 hours.

After your testing you may resume your normal activities.

Please review our **VER/VEP Preparation Document** for details on how to prepare for a **VER/VEP**.