

# With thalassemia, you can't afford to wait for your heart to tell you it has too much iron.

Iron can start building up in the heart for a long time before a person with thalassemia feels any effects. But getting iron out of the heart as early as possible is important for the best health outcome.

That's why people with thalassemia need to have regular T2\* cardiac scans performed, so that their doctors can take steps to keep their hearts healthy.



Noninvasive testing to see if iron is in the heart is the best way to know if your chelation therapy is keeping your heart healthy.

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