CT/US Needle Biopsy - Outpatient

Your doctor has ordered a Needle Biopsy to be performed in the Radiology Department on the 2nd Floor of the Froedtert Specialty Clinics. We encourage you to park in Parking Area 3. You can take the skywalk which will bring you onto the 2nd floor of the Specialty Clinics.

You are scheduled for a biopsy of your __________________ on _________________ at ________________

(blood part)                                           (day/date)                                      (time)

** If you are not able to keep your appointment, please call (414) 805-3700.**

If you are pregnant (or think you may be pregnant), or if you are nursing a baby, please inform your doctor before your appointment is scheduled.

Parking Information: (refer to map on last page) Please park in the following area. □ Parking Area Three (3)

Beginning January 1st, 2011 parking for patients and visitors will be free. Make sure you bring your parking ticket in to get it validated.

***Per our hospital policy, children under 18 must be supervised by a responsible adult, that is not the patient.***

ARRIVAL

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment time. Because we feel very strongly about providing high quality patient care to all of our patients, we ask that you arrive on time for your appointment. If you arrive more than 15 minutes past your appointment time, we will do our best to accommodate you, but may ask you to reschedule or wait until our next available appointment opens up. We appreciate your attention to this and hope this will help us serve you better.

LABWORK REQUIRED

There are a few lab results that are needed prior to having a needle biopsy performed. Please discuss this with your ordering physician prior to the day of your procedure.

WHAT IS A NEEDLE BIOPSY?

A needle biopsy is a procedure in which a needle is passed through the skin, using image guidance (CT or Ultrasound), into an organ in order to obtain a small amount of tissue for diagnostic purposes.
PREPPING FOR YOUR PROCEDURE
You are asked to stop anti-coagulants (blood thinners; eg. Lovenox, Plavix, Warafin, Coumadin), including aspirin, at least 3-7 days prior to the procedure (Please check with your medical doctor prior to stopping any medications). It is also important that you notify us of any allergies you have. On the night before the exam, you should have nothing to eat or drink after midnight. You may take your medications with small sips of water. You MUST have someone bring you to the hospital and drive you home. You will not be allowed to drive yourself for 24 hours after the procedure. Prior to the procedure, you will meet with the Radiologist to discuss the biopsy and to sign an informed consent. At this time, you will have an opportunity to ask any questions or discuss any concerns you may have. If you give permission, your family is welcome to participate in this discussion.

DURING THE PROCEDURE
Image guided needle biopsy is performed in the radiology department by a Radiologist. A needle biopsy is most often performed with ultrasound or CT guidance. A nurse and a radiologic technologist will be with you during the entire procedure to monitor you and to assist the radiologist. The radiologist examines the area to be biopsied with an ultrasound probe or under CT guidance. The skin will be washed with a special iodine or alcohol solution and sterile drapes will be placed over you to prevent infection. Local anesthesia (numbing medication) is injected into the area to be biopsied and a needle is passed through the skin and into the organ to be biopsied. When the needle is removed, it contains a small piece of tissue. A Cytology technologist examines the tissue before the procedure is completed to make sure that an adequate specimen has been obtained. Multiple samples may be required.

CONSCIOUS SEDATION
In some cases, a procedure may require the application of conscious sedation for pain and anxiety management. In these situations, an IV will be started so that the radiology nurse can administer the sedation during the procedure.

AFTER THE PROCEDURE
Some biopsies/aspirations will require a short stay in the department before discharge. If sedation was administered, you may be moved to the Day Surgery recovery area where your nurse will frequently check the insertion site, your blood pressure, and your pulse. You may be sleepy from the sedation and you will be on bed rest for 2-4 hours. You will be given something to eat and drink when you are fully awake. You may bring an individual tape player (with earphones) with you, along with some reading material. You must have someone drive you home. If you live alone, it is a good idea to have someone stay with you that evening. Immediately after the procedure, the radiologist will tell you how the procedure went and whether the biopsy was adequate. However, the final analysis of the biopsy by the pathologist will require additional time and the results will be given to you by your physician.

Remember…our staff is here to help you. If you have any questions about the procedure, please ask.

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment to complete the registration process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
Patients are encouraged to call with any concerns or questions regarding their exam. The Radiology department can be reached at (414) 805-2060 Monday-Friday 8am-7pm. We are here to serve you 24 hours a day.

Thank you for choosing Froedtert
Directions to Specialty Clinics Building

Please park in Parking Area 3 structure.

Questions? Call 414-805-3666, toll free 1-800-272-3666 or visit froedtert.com

The Froedtert & The Medical College of Wisconsin mailing address is: 9200 W. Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53226

• All of Level D is designated as patient/visitor parking

For easy access to the skywalk, take the parking bridge on the 2nd floor of the Specialty Clinics Building.

Please Note: All of our parking structures and surface lots have accessible parking close to building entrances. Directions from our parking structures are all equipped with power doors. For more detailed instructions, please visit froedtert.com (Locations & Directions, Transportation and Parking Services).

Once Parked:

The parking bridge will take you to the 2nd floor of the Specialty Clinics Building.

Directions:

**From Watertown Plank Road via 92nd Street:**
- Turn south on 92nd Street and continue through a stop light at West Connell Court, to Doyne Avenue. Turn left on Doyne Avenue. Turn left onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.
- Please Note: All of our parking structures and surface lots have accessible parking close to building entrances.

**From Watertown Plank Road via 87th Street:**
- Turn south on 87th Street. You’ll come to a stop sign at East Connell Court. Turn left and continue south on 87th Street.
- At 45th Street, turn left and continue south to 92nd Street.
- At 92nd Street, turn right and continue through a stop light at West Connell Court. Turn left on Doyne Avenue, continue south and enter Parking Area 3 structure. Please park in Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Wisconsin Avenue:**
- Turn north on 87th or 92nd Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Children’s Hospital:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Curative Medical College of Wisconsin:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Sargeant Health Center:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Children’s Clinic:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Cancer Center:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Children’s Hospital Officess:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Mental Health Complex:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Tosa Center:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Blood Center Research Institute:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Children’s Research Institute:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Fitness Center:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Cancer Center offsite:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Eye Institute Pavilion:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.

**From Discovery Parkway:**
- Turn north on 87th Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and follow signs directing you to Parking Area 3 structure.