Ultrasound Breast Needle Biopsy — Outpatient

To Your Health!

Your doctor has ordered an ultrasound guided breast biopsy procedure to be conducted in the Breast Care Center. The Center is located on the third floor of the Clinical Cancer Center building. (Please refer to the directions and map on the back of this sheet.)

The Breast Care Center is staffed with caring and sensitive Registered Nurses, Certified Technologists and Medical College of Wisconsin Board Certified Radiologists, all of whom are Breast Imaging specialists.

Appointment Time: ____________________ If you are not able to keep your appointment, please call (414) 805-4950.

Information Day: ____________________

Date: ____________________

WHAT IS AN ULTRASOUND GUIDED BREAST BIOPSY?
This procedure uses ultrasound to guide a needle into a mass or abnormality within the breast. A breast ultrasound uses sound waves to produce a picture. There is no radiation involved.

WHO PERFORMS THE PROCEDURE?
The biopsy is performed by a radiologist who is specially trained in reviewing ultrasound pictures and performing breast procedures.

WHAT HAPPENS DURING THE PROCEDURE?
You will be lying down on a table on your back. The breast will be scanned with the ultrasound machine. If the mass appears to be fluid filled (cyst), an aspiration will be performed. If the mass appears to be solid, a core biopsy will be performed.

Aspiration
An aspiration is done if the mass or abnormality has fluid in it. This is usually a benign cyst. The breast is cleaned and numbed in the area of the mass with xylocaine, a local anesthetic. A small needle is inserted into the breast and the fluid is removed from the mass. A small dressing or band aid is applied.

Core Biopsy
A core biopsy is performed if the mass has solid tissue within it. The breast is cleaned and numbed in the area of the biopsy with xylocaine, a local anesthetic. A small cut is made in the skin. A special type of needle is inserted into the breast and tiny tissue samples are removed. Steri strips and a dressing are applied.
Most patients experience only mild discomfort during either procedure. If you have any allergies to local anesthetic medicines, please inform us. Please avoid aspirin or ibuprofen containing pills for 5 days before the procedure, since they can cause increased bleeding.

**HOW LONG DOES THE BIOPSY TAKE?**
You can expect the procedure to last about one hour.

**HOW WILL I FEEL AFTER THE BIOPSY?**
Generally patients feel fine after the procedure. Usually there isn’t any pain associated with the procedure. If there is mild pain, it can easily be controlled with simple pain medication like Tylenol.

**WHEN CAN I EXPECT TO KNOW MY RESULTS?**
The results of your breast biopsy will be sent to your doctor within 3 working days. Your doctor will inform you of the results.

REMEMBER...our staff is here to help you. If you have questions about any part of this test, please ask.

Enter campus on 87th street and park in Parking Area 2 located under the Clinical Cancer Center. To find the Breast Care Center take the “K” elevators to the 3rd floor and follow the signs to the Breast Care Center. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to your appointment to complete the registration process.

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**
Directions to Cancer Center

Please park in the Cancer Center Parking Area 2, located under the building.

From Watertown Plank Road via 92nd Street:
Turn south on 92nd Street. Continue through the stop light at West Connell Court. Turn left onto Doyne Avenue and left onto William Coffey Drive. The Cancer Center Parking Area 2 entrance will be on your left, under the building.

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. Turn right at Doyne Avenue. Follow signs directing you to the Cancer Center. Turn onto William Coffey Drive. The Cancer Center Parking Area 2 entrance will be on your left, under the building.

From Wisconsin Avenue:
Turn north on 87th or 92nd Street and then onto Doyne Avenue. Follow signs directing you to the Cancer Center. Turn onto William Coffey Drive and the Cancer Center Parking Area 2 entrance will be on your left, under the building.

Please Note: All of our parking structures and surface lots have accessible parking closest to building entrances. Entrances from our parking structures are all equipped with power doors. The Cancer Center Structure has 23 total accessible parking spaces. For more detailed information visit froedtert.com

Questions? Call 414-805-3666, toll free 866-680-0505 or visit froedtert.com

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

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