

Ultrasound Breast Biopsy

Appointment Information

Date: _____ Arrive: _____ Location: _____

Address: _____

Notes: _____

About

An ultrasound breast biopsy exam is a procedure which uses a biopsy needle to remove tissue samples from a suspicious area of the breast. The tissue samples are then examined under a microscope by a pathologist to determine a diagnosis. An ultrasound guided breast biopsy is not designed to remove the entire lesion (abnormality), but most of a very small lesion may be removed in the process of a biopsy.

An ultrasound guided breast biopsy exam can be performed when a breast ultrasound or other breast scan shows an abnormality such as:

- A suspicious solid mass
- A distortion in the structure of the breast tissue
- An area of abnormal tissue change

Preparations

Please eat and drink as normal prior to your procedure. You may drive to and from your appointment.

On the day of your ultrasound guided breast biopsy, you should wear comfortable, loosefitting clothing. Please wear a snug fitting bra. You will be asked to remove any piercings or metal close to the breasts.

Prior to your ultrasound guided breast biopsy, you should let your radiologist know about any recent illnesses or medical conditions. You will also need to inform your radiologist about any medications you are currently taking.

If you have any questions, please contact a SMIL Nurse Navigator at 480.425.5057.