
Procedure Title: **Breast Biopsy Stereotactic**

Patient Name: _____

Appointment Time:

When: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Where: You will report to the Admitting area on the 1st floor of Daviness Community Hospital.

Purpose : This procedure has been ordered to obtain tissue from the abnormality seen on your mammogram or ultrasound. The tissue will be sent to the pathology department for diagnosis.

Preparation: Since this is not a surgical procedure there are no eating or drinking restrictions required.
You should not take any aspirin, blood thinners, or arthritis medications 3 days prior to the exam.
Allergies to lidocaine or epinephrine (numbing medication) should be discussed with the radiologist prior to the procedure so that an alternative medication may be used.

Procedure: This procedure can take up to 1 hour depending on the complexity of the abnormality being examined. You will be asked to change into a hospital gown designed specifically for mammogram procedures. Stereotactic Biopsy is done in the mammography department and is performed by the mammography radiologist. It will be done with x-ray. Local anesthetic (numbing medication) will be used in the breast. The biopsy needle will be inserted into the abnormal area of the breast and several samples of tissue will be obtained. Stereotactic Biopsy procedures are relatively pain-free for the patient. After the procedure, steri strips will be placed on the needle site. An ice pack will be placed on the biopsy site after procedure.

After Care: You may leave the hospital immediately after the procedure is finished. You may return to your work or other activities on the day of your biopsy if those activities do not involve heavy lifting or strenuous athletics. You may resume all normal activities the next day.

Please call the Mammography Department (812) 254-8851 Ext. 2588 if you have any questions.

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