

Outpatient Biopsy Instructions

You may have a mild discomfort at the puncture site tonight. You may Tylenol, as directed on the label, for pain or discomfort. Avoid ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin) and aspirin for the next 48 hours as these drugs may cause you to bleed.

Watch for bleeding from the biopsy site. Hold pressure to the area for at least 15 minutes if bleeding does occur. If you have severe pain or swelling at the site, go directly to the nearest Emergency Room.

Watch for signs of infection: redness, pain, pus, drainage, fever or chills. If this occurs, call your doctor.

Resume your previous diet and follow the medication reconciliation form.

You should have someone drive you home and someone to be with you until morning. Rest the remainder of today. If you have received sedation, you should not drive for 24 hours.

Do not lift anything heavier than a small grocery bag (10 pounds) for the next 5 days.

It may take up to 3 days for your test results to become available to your physician. Call your physician if you have not heard anything after 3 business day.

Should you experience abnormal symptoms, please contact the Radiologist at the hospital where you had the procedure:

-Memorial Regional Medical Center 764-6077

-Richmond Community Hospital 225-1761

-St. Francis Medical Center 594-3180

-St. Mary's Hospital 281-8166