PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR STEREOTACTIC BREAST BIOPSY

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TEST: 978-630-6235
PATIENT SCHEDULING: 978-630-5070

EXAM DATE AND TIME: ____________________________________________
DURATION OF EXAM:  60 minutes

Radiology is located on the ground floor.

INSTRUCTIONS:

• If prior studies were done at another facility, films need to be brought to Heywood Radiology Department prior to the day of your biopsy.
• These drugs must be stopped 1 week (7 days) prior to the biopsy:
  Aspirin, Motrin, Ibuprofen and any other anti-inflammatory medications, vitamins, and/or herbal supplements.
• If you are on any of the following types of medications, please let us know:
  Coumadin, Plavix, Ticlid or any other blood thinners or platelet inhibitors. The doctor who prescribed these must be called to verify that you can be off these medications for a certain amount (usually 7 days) and what procedure will be needed to have you start these medications after the biopsy. If you are on any of these medications you should receive a phone call from Pam Leger, RN or Ellen Deangelis, RTRM, in radiology. Any questions, please contact us at 978-630-6235.
• You may have a light breakfast the day of your exam, but please do not have anything to eat or drink 3 hours before your exam.
• Bring a medication list to your appointment.

To pre-register for your appointment, call Patient scheduling at least 2 days before your scheduled appointment at 978-630-5070. Pre-registration will allow you to report directly to Radiology Department the day of your appointment.

Please arrive 15 minutes early for your appointment.

Thank you,
Mammography Department