



DEDICATED BIOPSY SERVICES

COMMITTED TO COMPASSIONATE MEDICAL EXCELLENCE

Patient Information

Stereotactic

Digital stereotactic breast biopsy provides highly accurate diagnosis of mammographic lesions. This outpatient procedure is more expedient and less invasive than an open surgical breast biopsy as it requires no general anesthesia, eliminates potential for disfigurement, and you can resume normal activities almost immediately.

What You Can Expect

1. A nurse will guide you onboard the mobile unit, to the dressing room, where you will change into a gown. You will then lie on your stomach on a specially designed, padded table.
2. You will be given a local anesthetic to minimize any discomfort.
3. A probe is inserted only once through a 1/4 inch incision in your breast.
4. Once the probe is positioned at the area of concern, it gently vacuums, cuts, and removes tissue for examination and evaluation.
5. To monitor your breast health, your doctor may place a Tissue Marker to identify the biopsy site for future follow-up. The marker is very small, you will not be able to feel it once it is placed in your breast, and it will not set off metal detectors.
6. The single incision is closed with a small adhesive bandage. The procedure typically takes 30 minutes.

What You Should Know

This procedure, performed on thousands of women before you, is minimally invasive and causes little discomfort. It is highly accurate in helping your doctor diagnose a variety of abnormalities and is as reliable as open surgical biopsy, yet you can go home immediately after the procedure and your incision will be so small that you will not require stitches. Keep in mind that 80% of breast biopsies are benign (negative) and only 20% are cancerous.

Patient Commitment

We are dedicated to providing you, the patient, with outstanding care and consistent medical excellence. We are committed to making this difficult time as pleasant and painless as possible. We have total compassion for you and your family and want you to know that you are getting the best breast care available.