

INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY

Patient Name: _____ Appointment: _____

Patient Preparation

- All patients will have pre-procedural blood sampling done prior to procedure unless otherwise indicated. Your physician will have given you a requisition for this test. Blood sampling should be done at a Halton Healthcare lab no more than 7 days prior to procedure.
- Ensure you have reviewed ALL your medications with your doctor.
- Anti-inflammatories (e.g., Advil, Aleve, Aspirin, Ibuprofen), anti-coagulants (e.g., Coumadin, Warfarin, Heparin, Pradax) and anti-platelets (e.g. Plavix) will require special instructions (e.g., usually held for 7 days prior to procedure).

Doctor Instructions: _____

- Take all other medications, unless otherwise instructed.
- Bring all your medications with you on the day of your procedure.
- DO NOT** have anything to eat or drink after midnight unless otherwise instructed.
- If you have difficulties with the English language, a translator or interpreter must be with you for the whole duration of the appointment.
- You must have a responsible adult drive you home following the procedure unless otherwise instructed.
- Please remember to bring your health card.

Incomplete preparation will require re-scheduling your procedure/treatment.

| Duration of Procedures | | |
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| Procedure | Procedure Time | Recovery Time |
| Breast / Thyroid Biopsies | ½ - 1 hour | 15 - 30 minutes |
| All Other Biopsies | ½ - 1 hour | 2 – 4 hours (Light physical activity for 24-48 hours) |
| Angiography – Angioplasty | 1 – 1 ½ hours | 2 – 4 hours (Light physical activity for 24-48 hours) |
| PICC | 1 hour | 15 – 30 minutes |
| Nephrostomy Tube | 1 hour | 1 – 2 hours (Light physical activity for 24-48 hours) |
| Gastrostomy Tube | 1 hour | 1 – 2 hours |

NOTE: All times listed are approximations and may vary.