

PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIVER BIOPSY:

Arrival Time: _____

Date: _____

Doctor: _____

Do these things **7 DAYS BEFORE** the procedure:

Arrange an escort: You will be given medicine during the procedure that makes you relaxed and sleepy, therefore you cannot drive a car or take public transportation home by yourself. **You must have a responsible adult to accompany you home; otherwise your procedure will be cancelled and rescheduled. No exceptions.** Please inform your escort that the entire visit will last approximately 3 hours.

Stop taking aspirin and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (e.g. Motrin, Advil, Feldene, Naprosyn, Aleve). Tylenol is an acceptable substitute unless instructed otherwise by your doctor, take no more than 4 g in a 24 hour period. Continue taking your normal medications.

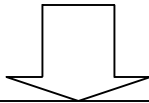
If you are taking Coumadin or any blood thinner – call your doctor for special instructions.

If you need to cancel your appointment, call (617) 638-6525 option #1.

Do these things **ON THE DAY OF** the procedure:

Your stomach must be completely empty to allow for an adequate examination. Please DO NOT EAT OR DRINK ANYTHING AFTER MIDNIGHT on the evening prior to the procedure.

- Take your normal medication with a sip of water. Please bring a list of current medications.
- Please do not take antacids or carafate the morning of your procedure.
- *Diabetics- if you take insulin, take one-half dose of insulin on the morning of the procedure. If you take a pill for your diabetes, you may skip it on the morning of the procedure unless instructed otherwise.*
- Make sure your escort/driver is available to pick you up after the procedure.



Do these things **2 DAYS BEFORE** the procedure:

Confirm your escort.



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2nd Floor of the Menino Pavilion
Across from the cafeteria
617-638-6525 option#1