

Percutaneous Liver Biopsy

Date of procedure: _____

Time to arrive: _____

Do not eat or drink after:

We will call you after 1p.m. the day before the procedure, to give you these times.

If you do not hear from us by **4:00 p.m.**, please call the scheduling coordinators:

682-885-1990

(or)

682-885-_____.

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Sometimes we need a very small piece of liver tissue to see if damage or disease is present. A liver biopsy is how we get this tissue. We do the liver biopsy in the hospital under general anesthesia.

Before liver biopsy

- Plan to spend night in hospital.
- Complete blood tests 1 to 2 days before the procedure. We tell you where and when to go to the lab.
- We must know all the medicines your child takes. This includes prescription and over-the-counter medicines, especially any aspirin, ibuprofen, blood thinners, etc.

It may be necessary to give routine medicines at different times.

- Please call the office immediately for a fever of 101.5 or greater.

Day of liver biopsy: Registration

**Cook Children's Medical Center: t
Pavilion Registration Area 2.**

We take you to the Special Procedure Waiting Area.

A nurse takes you to your room, explains more about the liver biopsy, and gets you ready.

How we do a liver biopsy

We make a very small incision on the right side of the abdomen (near ribs). Your doctor uses a special instrument to get a piece of liver tissue. You are asleep and will not feel anything.

Liver biopsy permit

Although problems are rare, certain risks are present.

Risks include:

- Bleeding that may need a blood transfusion or surgery.
- Small hole or tear of the lung or gallbladder.
- Infection.

Liver Biopsy (continued)

We will answer all your questions about the liver biopsy. Before you sign a **Consent for Procedure** form you need to know:

1. What a Liver Biopsy is.
2. Possible risks.
3. Why we are doing the biopsy.

After liver biopsy

- You wake up in the recovery room. When you are awake we move you to a hospital room to spend the night.
- You must stay on your right side 4 hours after the procedure. Pillows help keep you in this position.
- A large bandage covers your right side. We take it off in a day or two.
- We keep you on monitors and a nurse checks you frequently.
- Your doctor decides when you are ready to go home, usually the next day.
- The pathologist looks at the biopsy

to help diagnose certain diseases and calls the report to your doctor.

- Your clinic nurse calls you with these results in 7-10 business days after the test.**General information**

- Call the office as soon as possible for cancellations, if you are going to be late, or if you have any questions or concerns about this procedure.

- Parents: Do not bring other children with you. **They are not allowed in the prep or recovery room.**

- Please call the GI Clinic with any questions or concerns.

GI CLINIC 682-885-1990

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I have a copy of these home instructions, know what I need to do, and understand why they are important.

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

Date

Healthcare Provider's Signature

