

# TRANSRECTAL ULTRASOUND NEEDLE BIOPSY OF PROSTATE

**LOCATION:** Please report to Patient Registration (located right beside the Gift Shop on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor) at Bluewater Health - Norman Street (otherwise known as St. Joseph's Hospital).

## INSTRUCTIONS

- You will need to use a rectal enema at 6:00 pm the day before the appointment. You may purchase this product over the counter at any pharmacy. You do not require a prescription.
- You may eat and drink normally.
- Do not take any aspirin, blood thinners or Vitamin E for 10 days prior to your appointment.
- Dr. Ramirez will have given you a prescription for an antibiotic (Ciprofloxacin) to start 1 day prior to your appointment and continue after the procedure until the antibiotic is finished.
- You must have someone accompany you to your appointment.
- If you do NOT have a follow-up appointment after this procedure, and have not heard from our office within 2 weeks, please give us a call (519-383-6427)

Although the procedure itself takes about ½ an hour, please be prepared to be at the hospital for about 2 - 3 hours in total.

## FOLLOW UP APPOINTMENT:

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT:

IF FOR ANY REASON YOU'RE UNABLE TO MAKE IT TO YOUR BIOPSY, PLEASE LET US KNOW WELL IN ADVANCE SO WE CAN ASSIGN THAT TIME TO ANOTHER PATIENT. **IF YOU DO NOT SHOW UP YOU WILL BE CHARGED \$100 FOR THE MISSED APPOINTMENT.**

\*\*If you have any questions regarding your procedure, please contact the office (519-383-6427)