procedure
You will undress from the waist up and put on a gown that opens in the front. You will be lying on your back during the procedure. The skin on the breast will be cleansed with betadine and a local anesthetic will be used to numb the area. A small nick is made in the skin and the biopsy device is introduced into the breast under ultrasound guidance. Using the biopsy device, cores of breast tissue are removed. A small clip is then placed to mark the area from where the biopsy was taken for future reference. Steri-strips are applied to close the incision. An ice pack is placed after the biopsy. You will be able to go home shortly after the procedure.

After the breast biopsy
- The ice pack may be removed when you return home.
- You may shower after 24 hours (leave the steri-strips in place).
- You may remove the steri-strips after 5–7 days.
- Bruising is fairly common after this procedure.
- The small nick made in the skin may leave a tiny scar.
- If you need medication for discomfort, please take only Tylenol®. You should avoid aspirin, ibuprofen (Advil®), Aleve™, and Celebrex™ for 5 days after the procedure.
- Do not participate in strenuous activity (golf, tennis, exercise, lifting, heavy household activities) for at least 48 hours after the procedure.
- You will be notified of your biopsy results 2-3 days after the biopsy. If you have not heard after 4 days, please contact the office.
- If you have bleeding, fevers or chills after the biopsy, please call the office where you had your procedure.

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