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## **THYROID BIOPSY PROCEDURE**

### **You have been referred to:**

CDI = Centers for Diagnostic Imaging- scheduling: 407-741-5400, or

FRI = Florida Radiology Imaging – scheduling: 407-834-8722, or

Sand Lake Imaging – scheduling: 407-363-2772, or

ORMC = Orlando Regional Medical Center – scheduling: 321-841-5274, or

Health Central Hospital – scheduling: 407-296-1190

**for an ultrasound-guided thyroid biopsy.** We have sent your order for this procedure to their scheduling service and have **provided you with a copy** of this order. If you do not hear from them within 72 hours, **please call their facility directly** at the above number.

If you **have an HMO**, you should also confirm with **your insurance** that this facility is “preferred” and “in network.” Usually the facility performing the biopsy will obtain authorization for this procedure if needed, **but YOU should be sure** proper authorization is obtained prior to arriving for the biopsy appointment.

If your initial thyroid ultrasound was done at a facility other than the facility scheduled to do your biopsy, **you MUST bring your prior films** to the appointment for the biopsy for the radiologist to review. We do NOT have a copy of your films.

If you are on blood thinners such as aspirin or anti-inflammatory medications, these **MUST** be stopped **7 days prior** to your procedure. If you are on Plavix or Coumadin, please notify us prior to scheduling the biopsy. Patients on Plavix or Coumadin will also need additional lab work to include a PT, PTT, INR and platelet count prior to the biopsy procedure.

Once your appointment for the biopsy is scheduled, **PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE IMMEDIATELY AT 407-293-2150** to schedule a follow-up appointment to review the results from the biopsy. It takes seven days for us to receive these results from the pathologist. **BIOPSY RESULTS will not be reviewed by telephone.**