**MAMMOGRAM**

You are scheduled to have a MAMMOGRAM at the McGuire VA Medical Center on the following date and time:

Please do not bring children to your Imaging Appointment. We apologize in advance, but for safety reasons we cannot allow unattended children in our waiting rooms. Please contact us directly if you need to reschedule your appointment to another date/time. Thank you.

Please report to the Radiology front desk 10 minutes prior to your appointed time to complete paperwork.

If you cannot keep this scheduled appointment, you must call(804.675.6065) as soon as possible to reschedule your appointment. This will provide us an opportunity to schedule another veteran who is waiting for an appointment.

If you are running late, notify us at (804)675-5000, ext 3141.

Late arrivals may need to be rescheduled based on availability.

We will make every effort to perform your study in a timely fashion.

PATIENT REMINDERS

1. If you have copies of your previous mammograms from other facilities please bring them with you. They are needed for comparison, and will enable us to report your study more quickly. If you do not have copies, please bring the name and fax number of the previous facilities where you had mammograms done.

2. Please wear a two-piece garment on the day of the appointment.

3. Please do not wear deodorant, powders, or creams as they can leave residues that can be detected on your mammogram.

Information about mammograms and other radiology studies can be viewed at www.radiologyinfo.org OR visit our service website www.richmond.va.gov/services/Radiology.asp

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**MAMMOGRAM BIOPSY**

As we discussed at your recent visit, your breast examination showed an abnormality that requires a biopsy. The only way that you can be sure that the abnormality is benign (not cancer) is to sample the area of concern and send these samples for laboratory analysis.

When these results are available, your health care provider or our facility will contact you concerning the results and any follow up tests or appointments that may be required.

Your breast biopsy is scheduled at the following time:

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Please arrive at the front desk of Radiology 10 minutes prior to your scheduled time to complete paperwork.

You are not required to fast or obtain blood work prior to this procedure. Take your prescription medications as you normally do.

Your health care provider has been informed about the need for this biopsy. If you have any questions regarding the biopsy prior to your appointment date, please contact your provider or page Dr. Ellison (804.351.0260), Dr. Uy (804.351.1376), or Dr. Wang (804.351.4164).

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We appreciate having this opportunity to serve you! For additional information about our department and services, please visit www.richmond.va.gov/services/Radiology.asp

Sincerely,

Elizabeth H. Ellison, M.D. Kenny Uy,M.D.

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