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#### **Breast Biopsy**







#### Overview

You've found a lump in your breast. Or, maybe we've noticed a suspicious area during a breast exam. We need to look closely at cells in that area for signs of breast cancer. We do this with a breast biopsy. This procedure takes samples of tissue from your breast.

### Types of biopsies

There are a few ways to do a biopsy. We can take samples with a hollow needle. We can use a suction probe. We can also remove tissue surgically. The type of biopsy that's best for you depends on your symptoms, your medical history and the samples we need to take.

## After a biopsy

After your biopsy, you may have a bandage on your breast. If you had a surgical biopsy, you may have sutures. You can expect to go home the same day. You should be able to resume normal activities the next day. Follow your care plan.

#### Results

In the following days, we'll study the tissue samples in the lab with a microscope. Your doctor will contact you soon to let you know the results. If you need treatment, your doctor will create a care plan that's right for you.