

You have been scheduled for a **LIVER BIOPSY** at _____ on _____ at _____ a.m./p.m. Please report to hospital admitting at _____ a.m./p.m. You will need someone to drive you.

1. Do not take the following medications for 7 days prior to procedure: aspirin, Excedrin, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (e.g. Motrin, Advil, Aleve, Daypro, Voltaren, ibuprofen, Feldene, Clinoril Naprosyn, etc.), ginkgo biloba, garlic, glucosamine, vitamin E. (Tylenol, Celebrex or Vioxx are permissible.) If you are taking blood thinners (e.g. Aggrenox, Plavix, Lovenox, Ticlid or Coumadin), please be certain you have notified the office.
2. You will need blood tests done on _____ at _____.
3. Nothing by mouth after _____.
4. **Diabetics:** Please check your blood sugar, if able, and take this information with you to the hospital/surgery center. **Do not take** your insulin. **Do not take** your diabetic pills. **Bring all of your insulin** with you to the procedure.
5. You will be monitored for several hours following the biopsy. Discharge from the hospital will be later that day or early evening. Please make arrangements for someone to drive you home. You may return to work the following day provided there will be no lifting over 10 pounds or strenuous exercise for 5 days following the biopsy.
6. You have been scheduled for an office appointment on _____. The purpose of this appointment will be to review the biopsy results and establish a treatment plan.