

**Appointment Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCATION:** Aultman Main Hospital: 2600 6<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Canton

**DEPARTMENT:** Aultman Hospital Breast Care Center

## **SUMMARY OF THE EXAM**

A breast ultrasound is an imaging technique using sound waves for diagnosing breast disease. Because ultrasound uses sound waves, there is no radiation exposure to the patient.

## **WHAT TO EXPECT**

You will be asked to undress from the waist up and wear a hospital gown. You will then be asked to lie on a cart in the examination room. The technologist will apply a warm gel to your breast and use a transducer (small wand) to obtain images. Firm pressure will be applied. Many patients find this to be unpleasant, but the pressure is needed to obtain the proper breast images.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Please bring a written order from your doctor to the exam.
- Please bring a complete list of all your medications.
- Please bring a driver's license or other photo ID.
- Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled time.
- Wear a two-piece outfit such as a blouse and pants/skirt because you will be asked to undress from the waist up.

## **LENGTH OF EXAM**

The exam should take 30 minutes, but please plan on being at the hospital for one to one-and-a-half hours from time of check in until completion of examination.

## **AFTER THE EXAM**

You will be given preliminary results following your appointment. A copy of your final report will be sent to the ordering physician.

You should expect to receive the results of your exam at your next health care provider appointment (if scheduled) or within 10 days of your exam. Please call your health care provider if you do not receive your results.

## **QUESTIONS PRIOR TO YOUR TEST**

Call 330-363-6285 weekdays between 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. for any questions about your test.

## **SCHEDULING AND REGISTRATION**

Pre-registration is required for an accurate medical record and proper billing. You may be contacted by a patient access representative if we need any information. If you have questions or need to schedule or reschedule your exam, please call 330-363-6288 or 1-800-837-0440 Monday – Friday between 7 a.m. – 6 p.m. All exams require a written order from your physician.

## **HOSPITAL PARKING**

Free visitor parking is available in Lot 3 across from the Bedford Building. Deck parking is available on 7<sup>th</sup> Street for a fee based on your length of stay.

## **DIRECTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT**

The Breast Care Center is located on the main level of Aultman Hospital between the main building and the Bedford Building.

- **Bedford Entrance:** You will proceed up the stairs or elevators to the main level, then turn to your left and go past Seasons Café. The Breast Care Center will be directly in front of you.
- **7<sup>th</sup> Street Entrance:** Walk through the lobby. Once you pass the main elevators, turn to your right and go past “The Shoppes at Aultman”. The Breast Care Center will be to the right.