Discharge Instructions: Biopsy with Sedation

- If you had a **lung biopsy**, we recommend you have someone with you for **24 hours** after your procedure. If you experience sudden chest pain or shortness of breath, **call 911 or have someone drive you to the nearest emergency room.**
- If you had a **liver biopsy**, call us if you have severe abdominal (belly) pain with lightheadedness.

**What to Expect**
- Slight pain/soreness at the biopsy site
- Slight bloody drainage at the biopsy site
- Low-grade fever of 99°-100°F (32.7°- 37.7°C)
- **(Renal Biopsy only)** You may see bright, red blood in the urine during the first 24 hours after the biopsy

**You Can...**
- restart your medications right away (hold blood thinners for 24 hours, this includes aspirin and ibuprofen/Advil®)
- You can take acetaminophen (Tylenol®) or other prescribed pain medications
- You can remove band aid/dressing in 24 hours
- You can shower after you’ve removed the band aid/dressing

**Restrictions**
- Do not drive or drink alcohol for 24 hours
- Do not strain, perform strenuous activity, or lift anything heavier than 10 pounds for 24 hours

**Call Us If ...**
- Call us if you have any signs of infection at the biopsy site after the first few days such as new or increased redness, pain (not relieved by pain medications) or pus-like drainage
- Call us if you have a fever of **100.4° F (38° C)** or higher with chills that lasts longer than 24 hours
- Call us if you have excessive bleeding at the biopsy site that does not stop after applying pressure
- **(Renal Biopsy only)** you still see blood in your urine after 72 hours

**Special Procedures/2 West: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Phone: 716-845-5978. After hours, call Roswell Park main number (24/7): 716-845-2300.**

If you feel you are in a life-threatening situation (chest pain, difficulty breathing, heavy bleeding), call 911 or go to the nearest hospital emergency department.