



**Appointments for Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic - Calgary Zone**

<b>Your Appointment:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• APL Calgary Zone Client Response will contact you to book your appointment.</li><li>• Patient contact number must be the <u>best</u> number to reach you.</li><li>• The Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic is <b>ONLY</b> available biweekly, <u>every other Friday of the month from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.</u></li><li>• Contact APL Calgary Lab at <b>403-770-3210</b> by 12:00 on the Thursday before your appointment.</li></ul>
<b>Prior to your Appointment:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If you are taking blood thinners (Heparin, Warfarin, Aspirin, etc.), notify us at the time this appointment is set up, or let your doctor know.</li><li>• Notify us of any allergies to medications.</li><li>• Fasting is not required.</li></ul>
<b>Arriving at the Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Clinic Location:</u> <b>Peter Lougheed Hospital</b> <b>3500-26<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE</b> <b>Calgary, Alberta</b> <b>PLC Outpatient Clinic #2, <u>WEST ENTRANCE</u></b></li><li>• You may have a friend or family member attend with you.</li><li>• Bring ID (Provincial Healthcare Card <u>and</u> Driver's License or other photo ID).</li><li>• Arrive 10-15 minutes before your appointment for registration purposes.</li></ul>
<b>The Fine Needle Aspiration Procedure:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The procedure will be explained to you and a consent form will be obtained before the procedure is performed.</li><li>• You may receive a local anaesthetic via needle puncture to numb the procedure area before the Fine Needle Aspiration.</li><li>• The entire procedure will take 30 minutes or less.</li><li>• It is safe to drive after the completion of the procedure.</li></ul>
<b>Should You Need to Cancel Your Appointment:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact Calgary Laboratory Services at <b>403-770-3210</b> at least 24 hours prior to your scheduled appointment.</li></ul>
<b>Questions About Your Collection?</b>	Laboratory location, hours and contact information may be found at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="https://myhealth.alberta.ca">https://myhealth.alberta.ca</a></li><li>• By calling Health Link Alberta at 811</li><li>• Alberta Precision Laboratories 1-877-868-6848</li></ul>