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

Your Appointment:	<ul> <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 available every Friday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.</li> <li>Contact Alberta Precision Laboratory, Calgary at 1-877-702-4486 Ext 1 by 12:00 PM on the Thursday before your appointment to confirm.</li> </ul>
Prior to your Appointment:	<ul> <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>
Arriving at the Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic:	<ul> <li>Clinic Location:         <ul> <li>Peter Lougheed Hospital</li> <li>3500-26<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE</li> <li>Calgary, Alberta</li> <li>PLC Outpatient Clinic #2, WEST ENTRANCE</li> </ul> </li> <li>You may have a friend or family member attend with you.</li> <li>Bring ID (Provincial Healthcare Card and Driver's License or other photo ID).</li> <li>Arrive 10-15 minutes before your appointment for registration purposes.</li> </ul>
The Fine Needle Aspiration Procedure:	<ul> <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>
If You Need to Cancel Your Appointment:	Contact Alberta Precision Laboratory at least 24 hours prior to your scheduled appointment:  1-877-702-4486 Ext 1 or 1-800-661-9876 Ext 6341
Questions About Your Collection?	Laboratory location, hours and contact information may be found at: <ul> <li><a href="https://myhealth.alberta.ca">https://myhealth.alberta.ca</a></li> <li><a href="By calling Health Link Alberta">By calling Health Link Alberta at 811</a></li> <li><a href="Alberta Precision Laboratories">Alberta Precision Laboratories at 1-877-868-6848</a></li> </ul>