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Appointments for Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic – Calgary Zone

Your Appointment:	 APL Calgary Zone Patient Booking and Support Services will contact you to book your appointment. Patient contact number provided must be the best number to reach you. The Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic is available every Friday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Contact Alberta Precision Laboratory, Calgary at 1-877-702-4486 Ext 1 by 12:00 PM on the Thursday before your appointment to confirm.
Prior to your Appointment:	 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. Notify us of any allergies to medications. Fasting is not required.
Arriving at the Fine Needle Aspiration Clinic:	 Clinic Location: Peter Lougheed Hospital 3500-26th Avenue NE Calgary, Alberta PLC Outpatient Clinic #2, WEST ENTRANCE You may have a friend or family member attend with you. Bring Identification (Provincial Healthcare Card and Driver's License or other photo ID). Arrive 10-15 minutes before your appointment for registration purposes.
The Fine Needle Aspiration Procedure:	 The procedure will be explained to you by the doctor who will answer any questions you may have. You will be asked to sign a consent form before the procedure. You may receive a local anesthetic via needle puncture to numb the procedure area before the Fine Needle Aspiration. The entire procedure may take 30 minutes or less. If you are well, you may drive yourself home.
If You Need to Cancel Your Appointment:	Contact Alberta Precision Laboratory at least 24 hours before your scheduled appointment: 1-877-702-4486 Ext 1 or 1-403-770-3306
Questions About Your Collection?	 Laboratory location, hours and contact information may be found at: <u>https://myhealth.alberta.ca</u> By calling Health Link Alberta at 811 Alberta Precision Laboratories at 1-877-868-6848