



Imaging test to be performed:

Breast Localization

Patient's name: _____

Test date: _____

Test time: _____

See other side for test location and registration instructions

What You Need To Know

How to prepare for your test:

Tell us if you have breast implants.

Tell us if you are pregnant or breastfeeding.

Don't wear deodorant or talcum powder prior to your exam.

How long will the test take?

About 1 - 2 hours.

What is the purpose of the test?

Performed immediately before biopsy surgery, this procedure is used to locate a breast abnormality that is too small to be felt otherwise.

How is the test performed?

Before the breast localization procedure, x-rays will be taken of your breast. You will be seated in front of the mammography equipment as your breast is compressed. The area will be cleaned with a sterile solution and a local anesthetic may be given to numb the area. A hollow needle will be placed in the breast in the area of concern. When its position is verified through additional x-rays, a small guide wire will be inserted through the needle. The needle will be removed, and the tiny wire will remain. A dressing will be applied over the area. You will then be transported to the Operating Room for your biopsy surgery.

Required before test:

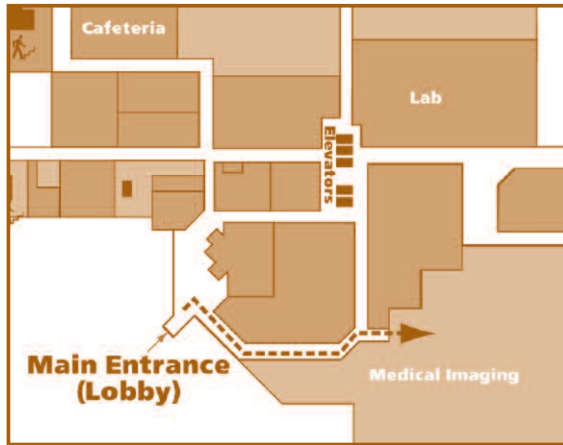
Please provide a signed physician order to perform the exam.

Results will be sent to your ordering physician after a radiologist's

Your test will be conducted at:

EIRMC (main campus)

Medical Imaging Department
3100 Channing Way
Idaho Falls
208-227-2600



What is an x-ray?

Your doctor has ordered for you a body imaging test known as an x-ray. X-rays are a form of electromagnetic radiation, just like visible light. In a healthcare setting, x-rays are emitted by a machine as individual "particles" (photons) that pass through the body and then get detected by a sensitive film. Structures that are dense, such as bone, will block most of the photons and will appear white on developed film. Structures containing air will be black on film, and muscle, fat, and fluid will appear as shades of gray. Metal and contrast media block almost all the photons and will appear bright white. X-rays are also known as radiographs.

How to register:

Please arrive 10 - 15 minutes (unless otherwise instructed) before your test, which includes time for you to register. See the following schedule for guidance on where to register. You will need to show a copy of your insurance card and driver's license each time you register.

Where to register:

Day/Time	EIRMC Location
<i>Mon.- Fri.</i>	
12 - 6:30 a.m.	Emergency Dept. (as outpatient)
6:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Medical Imaging Dept.
4:30 - 7 p.m.	Main Admissions (front of hospital)
7 p.m. - midnight	Emergency Dept. (as outpatient)
<i>Saturday</i>	
12 - 7:30 a.m.	Emergency Dept. (as outpatient)
7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Main Admissions (front of hospital)
4 p.m. - midnight	Emergency Dept. (as outpatient)
<i>Sunday</i>	
All day	Emergency Dept. (as outpatient)