

Patient Education

Pulmonary Diagnostics



Bronchoscopy

How to prepare for your procedure

Pulmonary Diagnostics is located in Room EC-236 at University of Washington Medical Center, across from the Emergency Department. Signs hanging from the ceiling will direct you to the Pulmonary Diagnostics Clinic.

You have been scheduled for a *bronchoscopy* in the Pulmonary Diagnostics Clinic at University of Washington Medical Center. During the procedure, a thin instrument called a bronchoscope will be used to look inside the air passages that lead to your lungs.

Your appointment is scheduled for _____.

Please follow these instructions to prepare for your procedure.

- **Bring someone to drive you home.** You cannot drive after the procedure because of the medicines we give you.
- **Arrive 30 minutes before your scheduled appointment.** We need a little time to prepare you before the procedure can begin.
- **Do not eat anything for 6 hours before your procedure.** You may take your usual morning medicines with a small sip of water. An empty stomach helps to reduce the risk of nausea and possibly throwing up during the procedure.
- **Wear comfortable clothes.** The room where the procedure is done can be cold. We do have blankets, but you may be more comfortable wearing something loose and warm.

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Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or health care provider if you have questions or concerns.

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