



Going home after a liver biopsy

Date of biopsy: _____

The biopsy was done by Dr. _____

Instructions for going home

For the next 24 hours:

- leave the dressing/band-aid on
- keep the needle site dry

You may have mild right shoulder discomfort for 24 hours. You may also have mild discomfort at the needle site. This is common. If needed, you may take Tylenol.

Call your family doctor or go to the nearest emergency department if your pain is severe, does not go away, or you have:

- increased swelling in your abdomen
- shortness of breath
- dizziness
- increased pain towards your right shoulder

If you need to see your family doctor or go to the nearest emergency department, bring these instructions with you to show what procedure you had done and by whom.