

## FINE NEEDLE ASPIRATION BIOPSY

Fine Needle Aspiration (FNA) biopsy is a diagnostic procedure used to examine percutaneous lumps and deep masses for the presence of cancerous lesions and infectious or reactive processes. FNAs have been touted as a fast, relatively pain-free diagnostic test that triages and/or eliminates the need for more invasive surgical biopsies.

## SWEDISH COVENANT HOSPITAL FNA BIOPSY SERVICE

FNAs of palpable lesions are performed by expert operators that have extensive training in specimen collection techniques. Majority of the procedures performed utilize radiographic imaging to ensure the most optimal specimen is procured for diagnostic evaluation. Swedish Covenant Hospital is one of the select few hospitals in the Chicago land area that has a dedicated Cytopathology staff that assists with the direct collection and preparation of cellular material. Therefore, adequacy assessments and preliminary diagnoses are rendered immediately post procedure which aides in the triage and treatment of patients.

## THE SWEDISH COVENANT HOSPITAL ADVANTAGE

Proficient and highly skilled aspirators with extensive training in:

- Endoscopic UltraSound Guided Biopsy
- Ultrasound Guided Biopsy of Superficial and Deep Lesions; and
- Computer Tomography (CT) Assisted Biopsy
- Non-Image Assisted Collection of superficial lesions of the :
  - o Thyroid, Salivary Glands, Lymph Nodes, Breast and Chest Masses.

On site assistance with the collection of specimen by ASCP certified cytotechnologist On-site adequacy assessment and immediate preliminary evaluation by board certified cytopathologists.

Immediate triage of specimens for ancillary testing:

- Microbiology
- Immunohistochemistry
- Flow Cytometry
- Cytogenetics

Final Cytopathology interpretation within 24-48 hours of collection