

# Soft tissue or superficial lymph node ultrasound examination or procedure

You have been referred to an ultrasound examination.

Sometimes a procedure is performed at the ultrasound appointment, for example, to take a tissue sample or to drain a cyst.

Please reserve one hour for your visit. The examination usually takes 20 minutes. Patients who need urgent examinations may be examined before you.

Please see the arrival instructions or appointment letter for contact information, if you have any questions about the examination.

#### Before the examination

You may eat and drink as usual before the examination

### **During the examination**

An ultrasound examination is usually painless. No radiation will be used.

You will be lying down for the examination, and you will need to remove clothes from the area to be examined.

A radiologist or a radiographer will spread gel on the area to be examined and move the ultrasound probe on your skin.

The radiologist may take a needle biopsy from the examined area. The doctor may anesthetize the biopsy site if needed.

The sample will be sent to the laboratory to be analyzed.

# After the examination

- You will receive the results of the examination from the doctor who treats you.
- If you do not know how to find out the results, please contact the outpatient clinic or ward that referred you to this examination.
- If a procedure was performed, keep the injection site dry for 24 hours.



# Other things to note

- You will not be charged for the examination separately.
- Cancel the appointment if you cannot come. If you do not cancel, you will be charged a fine.

### **Further information**

Watch video on YouTube:  $\underline{\text{www.youtube.com}} >> \underline{\text{Tutkimukset minuutissa: Ultraääni (rev2024) - YouTube}}$