After your Mammogram

Patient Information



CCDHB Radiology Service – Mammography Wellington Hospital

Mammogram results

The Mammogram from today will be looked at by two specialist breast Radiologists and compared with any previous Mammograms.

Your Mammogram result will be sent to the doctor who referred you for your Mammogram, (for example your breast surgeon or GP).

The report is usually available within 10-14 days.

It is important that we have any previous Mammograms available – these may be on a CD, so there will be no delay in your GP or Breast Surgeon receiving your results.

Recall for another Mammogram

Occasionally the Radiologist will require more imaging before they can complete their report:

- 1. If the first Mammogram pictures are not clear enough for the breast Radiologist to read, you may need to have one or more pictures repeated.
- 2. If either of the breast Radiologists thinks there is a change on your Mammogram we will ask you back to have additional magnified Mammogram views and /or breast Ultrasound. This will allow the Radiologist to look more closely at the breast tissue.

A Radiology booking clerk will ring you to arrange an appointment. We need to arrange your appointment for when a breast Radiologist is available.

Results after a recall

Most of the time these extra tests show that it is normal breast tissue.

Sometimes the extra views and Ultrasound are still not clear and we may need you to come back again for a needle biopsy.

If necessary we will discuss this with you and your doctor and arrange a needle biopsy appointment.

For more information on Mammography, visit the Healthpoint website http://www.healthpoint.co.nz/specialists/radiology/capital-coast-dhb-radiology/mammography/