

## Your biopsy

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Your biopsy specimen has been sent to MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory for evaluation and diagnosis.

### WHAT HAPPENS TO MY BIOPSY?

- Highly trained lab technicians prepare your tissue on a glass slide using advanced instruments.
- A pathologist examines the slide under a microscope and provides a diagnosis.
- Results are usually available within seven business days and added to your electronic medical record.

### WHY MERCYONE?

Your provider chose MercyOne for:

- Expert pathologists
- Advanced technology and instrumentation
- Partnership with Pathology Associates of Central Iowa (PACI) for accurate results

### UNDERSTANDING YOUR BILL

#### Physician/provider charges

- For tissue removal and evaluation.

#### Laboratory charges

- **Technical component:** Preparing tissue slides for examination (billed by MercyOne Des Moines Laboratory).
- **Professional component:** Pathologist's evaluation and diagnosis (billed separately).
- Additional charges may apply for extra tests or second opinions.



### BILLING QUESTIONS

- **Lab billing:** 844-405-9080
- **Pathologist billing:** 515-334-7524 or 866-993-4666