



Affix Patient Label	
Patient Name:	Date of Birth:

Informed Consent: Bronchoscopy

This information is given to you so that you can make an informed decision about having a **Bronchoscopy**. This procedure is most often done with moderate sedation or anesthesia.

Reason and Purpose of this Procedure:

Bronchoscopy is a procedure that allows the doctor to look at your trachea (windpipe), bronchi (branches of the airway) and some parts of the lung. A thin, flexible tube with a mini camera built into its tip, called a bronchoscope, is used. The bronchoscope is usually passed through your mouth, into your trachea and bronchi. The doctor can then see your airways. The doctor may biopsy (take a small piece of tissue) for further testing. This procedure is most often done with moderate sedation or anesthesia.

This test is used to help your doctor diagnose and treat your problem.

Benefits of this Procedure:

You might receive the following benefits. Your doctor cannot promise you will receive any of these benefits. Only you can decide if the benefits are worth the risk.

- Diagnosis of your symptoms.

Risks of this Procedure:

No procedure is completely risk free. Some risks are well known. There may be risks not included in the list that your doctor cannot expect.

- **Bleeding.** This may need further treatment or repair.
- **Injury to your teeth, lips, or throat.** This is rare.
- **Infections.** You may require antibiotics.
- **Tear in the lung (pneumothorax) from forceps used to obtain specimen.** Other treatment may be needed.
- **Respiratory failure.** This is rare.
- **Vocal cord injury.** This is rare.
- **Reaction to the anesthetic may occur.** The most common reactions are nausea and vomiting. In rare cases, death may occur. The anesthesiologist will discuss this with you.
- **Complications from sedation medicine.** These include low blood pressure and breathing problems including slow breathing and aspiration (choking on vomit). A reaction to the medication can cause throat spasms, and excessive sweating. You will be watched by a nurse and given oxygen to breathe.

Risks Associated with Smoking:

Smoking is linked to an increased risk of infections. It can also lead to heart and lung complications and clot formation.

Risks Associated with Obesity:

Obesity is linked to an increased risk of infections. It can also lead to heart and lung complications and clot formation.

Risks Specific to You:

Alternative Treatments:

Other choices:

- Do nothing. You can decide not to have the procedure.

If you Choose not to have this Treatment:

- We may not be able to diagnose your problem.

Information on Moderate Sedation:

You will be given medicine in an IV to relax you. This medicine will also make you more comfortable. This is called “moderate sedation”. You will feel sleepy. You may even sleep through parts of your procedure. We will monitor your heart rate and your blood pressure. We will also monitor your oxygen level.

If your heart rate, blood pressure or oxygen levels fall outside the normal range, we may give medications to reverse the sedation. We may be unable to reverse the sedation. We may need to support your breathing.

Even if you have a NO CODE status:

- You may need intubation to support your breathing.
- You may need medications to support your blood pressure.

We will re-evaluate your medical treatment plan and your NO CODE status when sedation has cleared your body.

Benefits of Moderate Sedation:

You might receive the following benefits. Your doctor cannot promise you will receive any of these benefits. Only you can decide if the benefits are worth the risk.

- Less pain during the procedure.
- Less anxiety or worry.
- Decreasing your memory of the procedure.

Risks of Moderate Sedation:

No procedure is completely risk free. Some risks are well known. There may be risks not included in the list that your doctor cannot expect. The list includes:

- Decreased breathing during the procedure and dropping oxygen levels. To help you breathe, a tube may be placed into the mouth or nose and into the trachea to help you breathe.
- Allergic reactions: nausea & vomiting, swelling, rash.
- Vomit material getting into the lungs.
- A drop in blood pressure. This needs fluids or medicine to increase blood pressure.
- Heart rhythm changes that may require medicines to treat.
- Not enough sedation or analgesia resulting in pain or discomfort.

Your physical and mental ability may not be back to normal right away. You should not drive or make important decisions for at least 24 hours after the procedure.

General Information:

During this procedure, the doctor may need to perform more or different procedures than I agreed to.

During the procedure, the doctor may need to do more tests or treatment.

Tissues or organs taken from the body may be tested. They may be kept for research or teaching. I agree the hospital may discard these in a proper way.

Students, technical salespeople, and other staff may be present during the procedure. My doctor will supervise them.

Pictures and videos may be taken during the procedure. These may be added to my medical record. These may be published for teaching purposes. My identity will be protected.



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By signing this form, I agree:

- I have read this form or had it explained to me in words I can understand.
 - I understand its contents.
 - I have had time to speak with the doctor. My questions have been answered.
 - I want to have this procedure: **Bronchoscopy** _____
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- I understand that my doctor may ask a partner to do the procedure.
 - I understand that other doctors, including medical residents or other staff may help with the procedure. The tasks will be based on their skill level. My doctor will supervise them.

Provider: This patient may require a type and screen or type and cross prior to procedure. If so, please obtain consent for blood/products.

Patient Signature: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Relationship: Patient Closest relative (relationship) _____ Guardian/POA Healthcare

Reason patient is unable to sign: _____ Telephone Consent Obtained

First Witness Signature: _____ Second Witness Signature: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____
(One witness signature MUST be from a registered nurse (RN) or provider)

Interpreter's Statement: I have interpreted the doctor's explanation of the consent form to the patient, a parent, closest relative or legal guardian.

Interpreter's Signature: _____ ID #: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

For Provider Use ONLY:

I have explained the nature, purpose, risks, benefits, possible consequences of non-treatment, alternative options, and possibility of complications and side effects of the intended intervention, I have answered questions, and patient has agreed to procedure.

Provider signature: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Teach Back:

Patient shows understanding by stating in his or her own words:

_____ Reason(s) for the treatment/procedure: _____

_____ Area(s) of the body that will be affected: _____

_____ Benefit(s) of the procedure: _____

_____ Risk(s) of the procedure: _____

_____ Alternative(s) to the procedure: _____

OR

_____ Patient elects not to proceed: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____
(Patient signature)

Validated/Witness: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____