# **Pulmonary Function Department**

#### **PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS**



#### **TEST LOCATION**

Pulmonary Function 4<sup>TH</sup> Floor Royal Block ROYAL JUBILEE

**Appointment Date:** 

Test Start Time: (arrive 15 minutes early)

Your Test Will Be: Spirometry or Pulmonary Function Test

**Ordering Physician:** 

Please be sure to follow the instructions below because failure to do so could result in your test being cancelled:

- Report to the **Pulmonary Function Department** at the Royal Jubilee Hospital 15 minutes prior to your appointment start time.
- All patients are required to provide a Care Card or other form of ID for check-in.
   We need to confirm that the information we have for you is current and correct.
- Hospitals are scent free environments. **Do not use any scented products** (perfume, hairspray, cologne, after shave, etc.). This could seriously impact the health of other patients and staff.
- Avoid caffeine (tea, coffee, chocolate, pop, etc.) for <u>four [4] hours prior to test</u>. You may eat as normal, avoiding caffeinated products.
- Do not smoke any substances for four [4] hours prior to test.
- You will not be exercising for either test—no need for gym wear.
- Our labs are open 8:00 am-8:00 pm Monday-Friday, and 8:30 am-4:00 pm on Saturdays.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- Spirometry Test takes 30 minutes
- Pulmonary Function Test takes <u>60 minutes</u>
  - You will do <u>ONLY ONE</u> of the above tests <u>NOT BOTH</u> (instructions are the same for both tests)

#### **CANCELLATIONS:**

We require <u>48 hours'</u> notice of cancellation. Please call Shannon at 250-519-1642 for cancellations and questions.

# PLEASE AVOID THE FOLLOWING MEDICATIONS BEFORE YOUR TEST:

# 12 Hours Before:

Do not use long-acting bronchodilators or inhaled corticosteroids (Advair, Alvesco, Breo, Flovent, Foradil, Pulmicort, Spiriva, Symbicort, etc.) unless directed otherwise by your physician.

# 4 Hours Before:

Do not use short-acting bronchodilators (Atrovent, Bricanyl, Salbutamol, Ventolin, etc.) **unless directed otherwise by your physician**.

### **OUR LOCATION:**

We are located on the **4**<sup>th</sup> **floor of the Royal Block**, located at the older (original) side of the Royal Jubilee Hospital. There are 2 ways to get to us:

- 1. Parkade off of Bay Street at the new main entrance of the hospital (this is the best option between 8:00 am 5:00 pm):
  - Enter through the D&T Centre (Diagnostic and Treatment Centre).
  - Ask the information desk where we are and they will point you in the right direction (follow signage after 5:00 pm).
  - If you require assistance, a volunteer may be available to escort you. Wheelchairs may be available upon request.
- 2. A closer entrance to our department is through the old main entrance off of Coronation Avenue (this is the best option after 5:00 pm):
  - Park in the stalls outside of the West/Royal Block entrance and use the parking machine inside the foyer.
  - After paying for parking, take your first right and there will be a bank of 4 elevators on the left. Take any
    one of those to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor.
  - Follow signage to the reception window.
  - Please see the attached map for step by step directions!

#### **PARKING:**

Parkade rates are: \$2.25 for the first hour and \$1.25 for each additional hour. Parking machines: \$2.75 for the first 2 hours and \$1.50 for each additional hour.

Parking spaces are limited, so please give yourself plenty of time to find a spot.