

Pulmonary Function Laboratory Scheduling Instruction Sheet

The Pulmonary Function Laboratory is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m. The last appointment is taken at 1. Evening and weekend hours may be available upon request.

Patients should follow these instructions prior to testing:

- Do not take any breathing medications four hours prior to testing.
- Do not ingest any caffeine six hours prior to testing.
- If a patient smokes, smoking should be stopped 24 hours prior to testing.

A complete pulmonary function test takes approximately 1.5 hours to complete. Arterial blood gas takes approximately 30 minutes.

Testing provided by the laboratory includes:

- 1. Spirometry
 - a. With Bronchodilator
 - b. Without Bronchodilator
- 2. Lung Volumes
- 3. Diffusion Capacity
- 4. Rest and Exercise Oximetry
- 5. Home Oxygen Evaluation
- 6. Arterial Blood Gas

All requests for reports should be made to (773) 564-5643. Patients are instructed to leave their name, number, fax number of requesting physician, and date of testing on voicemail.

Additional Information:

Reports are delivered to the ordering physician in three to five business days.