

Questions to ask about your — biopsy procedure —

Before going into any procedure, it's good to have clear expectations for before, during, and after the procedure. Consider asking your urologist these questions before your prostate biopsy. Other men like you have found them helpful when deciding what to do next.

Check the boxes next to the questions you plan to ask. Write in your own questions if you have them. Take the list to your pre-biopsy appointment. You can use the space provided to capture your doctor's responses.

Can you explain to me how the procedure will work?

Will this be done transrectally or transperineally? Why?

What should I do to prepare for the procedure?

How long will the procedure take?

What will I feel during the procedure?

What side effects might I experience after the procedure?

What risks are involved in having this procedure?

Will I be able to drive myself home after the procedure?

What problem signs should prompt me to call you or seek medical care?

What's the risk of not having a biopsy?

How long until I get my results?

Will you share them with my primary care provider?

How will my results be communicated to me? How do I interpret them?