## Mammography Scheduling Guide

### Screening Mammography

**When Used?**
Screening mammography is performed to detect unsuspected breast cancer in asymptomatic women.

**Who?**
Asymptomatic women

**Guidelines**
Annually for all women of average risk starting at age 40.

**Description**
Standard views consist of two images of each breast.

**Radiation Exposure**
Low dose radiation exposure.

**Insurance Coverage?**
Covered by Medicare and some private payors. The Affordable Care Act mandates that all insurance plans starting after August 1, 2012 cover screening mammograms without cost to women.

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### 3D Tomosynthesis

**When Used?**
Screening 3D mammography is performed to detect unsuspected breast cancer in asymptomatic women, particularly women with dense breast tissue.

**Who?**
Asymptomatic women

**Guidelines**
Annually for all women of average risk starting at age 40, particularly women with dense breast tissue.

**Description**
A series of images are collected from multiple angles for each breast.

**Radiation Exposure**
More images are required, therefore, the dose is higher.

**Insurance Coverage?**
Covered by Medicare and some private payors, patients may be responsible for co-pay, co-insurance or deductible based on insurance coverage. Call your insurance provider for coverage information.

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### Diagnostic Mammography

**When Used?**
Diagnostic mammography is performed to further evaluate an abnormal screening mammogram or abnormal clinical findings.

**Who?**
Symptomatic patients

**Guidelines**
As indicated for symptomatic patients 30 years or older or to monitor radiologic findings of concern.

**Description**
Standard views with additional diagnostic views of area of concern, including ultrasound as indicated.

**Radiation Exposure**
Radiation dose is dependent upon number of images.

**Insurance Coverage?**
You may be responsible for co-pay, co-insurance or deductible based on your insurance coverage. Call your insurance provider for coverage information.

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