Firstname Lastname Address Screening unit Date



INVITATION TO A FOLLOW-UP EXAMINATION FOR BREAST CANCER SCREENING

The mammograms taken during your screening appointment indicate that follow-up examinations are needed.

TIME: date, time

PLACE: name of the screening unit, street address, locality

If this time does not suit you, you can book a new time: tel./time/www-address/email



INVITATION TO A FOLLOW-UP EXAMINATION DOES NOT MEAN CANCER

Two radiologists have checked your mammograms and have concluded that more detailed investigation is needed. The follow-up examination is free of charge to you. About three out of a hundred screened women are invited to a follow-up examination. An invitation to a follow-up examination does not mean cancer – four out of five people referred for follow-up examinations are not diagnosed with breast cancer.



EXAMINATION PROCEDURE

The most common follow-up examinations are ultrasound imaging of the breasts and additional mammograms. If a needle biopsy is also needed, your doctor will first discuss the issue with you. If necessary, local anaesthesia is used when the needle biopsy is taken.



RESULTS OF FOLLOW-UP EXAMINATIONS

The radiologist will immediately tell you the results in connection with the follow-up examination. You receive an answer about the needle biopsy by phone or by letter within two weeks. If these follow-up examinations give reason to suspect breast cancer, you will receive a referral to the surgery clinic.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SCREENING AND BREAST CANCER

www.breastscreening.fi www.allaboutcancer.fi