

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

When you submit a tissue specimen to Diagnostic Pathology Medical Group, Inc., we partner with you to provide your patient with an accurate and timely diagnosis. Your cooperation in following the guidelines set forth in our protocols is greatly appreciated and will be the very foundation of our common goal to better serve our patients and our community.

Some biopsies will require very specialized handling. Please refer to the instructions provided for these. However, <u>all</u> tissue specimens which are submitted to us in a fixative have some common requirements. These are outlined in the section titled **Biopsies to be Submitted in Fixative: General.**

Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions or problems. We will help make the specimen collection and submission a smooth, trouble-free process. Call the DPMG Customer Service Department at 916-446-0424. They can direct your call to the appropriate staff member, including a pathologist, to best help you.