

Abrams Dermatology

Lab information

As a part of your dermatological treatment it may be necessary to biopsy a suspicious skin lesion. During this process, we remove a tissue sample and prepare it for laboratory analysis. Depending upon the type of lesion and suspected diagnosis, we may analyze the tissue in our own lab or send it out to an external dermapathologist. When we send the tissue to an outside lab, we make every attempt to send the tissue to a lab that is covered by your health insurance plan. Therefore, it is each patient's responsibility to ensure that you provide us with your current health insurance and lab information.

When a biopsy is conducted, it is our standard practice to notify you of abnormal test results only. All patients with abnormal results will be called by Dr. Abrams or a nurse from our office after the lab reports are reviewed. If you would like to be notified of your biopsy results regardless of a positive or negative result, please let Dr. Abrams or one of the nurses know during your visit.

As a reminder, we do not bill you for outside laboratory charges. They bill your insurance plan separately and in some cases may bill you directly. If you receive a bill from a laboratory, please contact your health insurance plan or the laboratory directly as we have no involvement in that billing process. If you received a bill in error or have questions that cannot be answered by either of the agencies mentioned above, you may contact our billing department at (941) 926-2300 extension 101.