

Paracentesis

- **Rads that do procedure:** Agrait (MA), Byra (BY), Carter (CA), Cohen (DC), Combs (JC), Edwards (JE), Howard (JH), Jurassic (JU), Parsons (CP), Rezaei (AR), Roth (NR), Sherard (DS), Wood (CW)
- **Need imaging/radiologist review:** no
- **Need H&P:** no
- **Need to hold blood thinners:** no
- **Need to hold other meds:** no
- **Need to be NPO:** no
- **Need a driver:** yes
- **Need bed in Short Stay / PACU:** yes
- **Arrival time:**
 - Riverside & Southside - 1 hour prior to appointment
 - Clay & St Johns - 2 hours prior to appointment
- **Need an IV:** yes (for albumin)
- **Need blood work:** no
- **Receive moderate sedation:** no (just local anesthetic)
- **Stay after procedure:** approximately 1 hrs after procedure
- Order needs to specify diagnostic paracentesis, therapeutic paracentesis or both.
- If for diagnostic paracentesis, the order needs to specify what fluid labs are needed.
- **Routine paracentesis fluid labs - cell count w/diff body fluid, body fluid protein, body fluid albumin, body fluid LDH, body fluid amylase, body fluid creatinine, body fluid pH, body fluid culture, fungal culture, AFB culture, cytology body fluid**

Riverside Scheduling Notes

- Paracentesis can be double booked with another IR procedure in given time slot.

Southside Scheduling Notes

- Paracentesis can be double booked with another IR procedure in given time slot.

Clay Scheduling Notes

- Current outpatient paracentesis/thoracentesis slots: 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 1:00 pm.