

# Breast Imaging Ordering Guide

**To schedule an appointment: call 1 - 888 - 909 - XRAY or use the breast imaging fax 443 - 481 - 5355.**  
This is for reference only. This does not imply protocol standards for radiology facilities. Information subject to change.

SIGNS & SYMPTOMS	PARAMETERS	ORDER/ PERFORM	SUGGESTED TEXT FOR REQUISITION
<b>ASYMPTOMATIC ANNUAL SCREENINGS</b>	One baseline exam between 35 and 40. Annual after age 40 (12 months since last screening exam; Medicare 11 months since last screening.)	Screening	Screening (baseline, previous done _____.)
<b>IMPLANTS</b>	<i>Same as above (If patient has symptoms, see below.)</i>	Screening	Screening - Implants <i>(When scheduling, identify that patient has implants and is asymptomatic but needs extra time for exam.)</i>
<b>HISTORY OF BREAST CANCER</b>	Lumpectomy	Diagnostic	Diagnostic: Personal History of Breast Cancer- Lumpectomy.
	Mastectomy <5 Years Since Surgery	Diagnostic	Diagnostic: Personal History of Breast Cancer- Mastectomy.
	Mastectomy >5 Years Since Surgery	Screening	Personal History of Breast Cancer.
<b>CLINICAL FINDINGS (Symptoms)</b>	Mass	Diagnostic	Diagnostic Mammogram with Ultrasound, if needed (identify area of mass.)
	Discharge	Diagnostic	Diagnostic Mammogram with Ultrasound- Discharge (Identify breast.)
	Pain- Localized (non Medicare patient)	Diagnostic	Diagnostic Mammogram, Ultrasound as needed- Pain (identify area of pain.)
	Pain- Localized (Medicare patient)	Screening	(Not recognized by Medicare as diagnostic reason for mammogram.)
<b>SHORT TERM FOLLOW-UP EXAM</b>	Recommendation of previous exam (6 month follow-up)	Diagnostic	Diagnostic Mammogram, Ultrasound as needed- Post Biopsy Exam.
	Post Benign Biopsy Exam	Diagnostic	6 month follow-up.
<b>UNDER 30 YEARS OF AGE- ORDER ULTRASOUND</b>	Symptomatic Breast ONLY (Pain, Mass, Discharge)	Diagnostic	Diagnostic Breast Ultrasound with Mammogram, if needed.
<b>RECOMMENDATION OF ADDITIONAL IMAGING (Callback or Recall Exam)</b>	Mammography (Additional Exam)	AAD will contact patient to schedule this exam. Patient will need a diagnostic referral.	
	Ultrasound		
	MRI	Referring MD responsible for insurance authorization and scheduling of MRI exam.	