

Colposcopy

Technique

Procedure involves staining the cervix with 3% acetic acid solution (like vinegar) and viewing the cervix with a special set of binoculars (the colposcope). If any abnormal areas are seen, a small biopsy is taken and sent to a pathologist for evaluation.

Incisions

No incisions are made in this procedure

Operative Time

The procedure takes approximately 15 minutes.

Anesthesia

- None or
- Local anesthesia

Preoperative Care

- Take 400mg ibuprofen approximately one hour prior to your procedure.

Postoperative Care

These guidelines are intended to give you a general idea of your postoperative course. Since every patient is unique and has a unique procedure, your recovery may differ.

- Anti-inflammatory pain medicine, such as ibuprofen, naproxen, etc., is usually required for the first several days to manage soreness and inflammation.
- Driving is allowed after your procedure.
- Patients may return to work on the same day.
- Nothing in the vagina for 2 weeks.

You may experience mild vaginal bleeding. Please notify our office for bleeding heavier than your usual menstrual period