

## **THORACENTESIS**

Thoracentesis may be uncomfortable for a few hours after the procedure.

**Contact your physician at 512-459-8753 if you notice any of the following signs:**

- Shortness of breath
- Coughing up bloody phlegm
- Chest pain or discomfort
- Leaking or redness at the puncture site

### **Activities**

- It is normal to feel tired the remainder of the day
- You may return to normal activity the day after the procedure

### **Diet**

You may return to your normal diet