Focused Ultrasound Frequently Asked Questions

How much does the procedure cost and how can I find out if my insurance will cover the procedure?

After your first consultation, the neurosurgeon will determine if you are a good candidate for Focused Ultrasound treatment. A referral is then made to the hospital. Before your procedure is scheduled a precertification is obtained from your insurance company.



After precertification, you may request our navigator to put you in touch with our business office.

Is there a waiting list and how soon can a visit be scheduled?

Currently we do not have a waitlist and we may be able to accommodate you for your first consultation within two weeks.



The consultation could be in person for our local patients in Virginia or a virtual telehealth consult for out-of-state patients.

After your initial consultation, a CT scan is ordered and the actual procedure can be done as soon as a month if desired.

In some cases we schedule your CT and MRI consultations all on the same day.

Are there any side effects/complications from the procedure?

Side effects are usually minimal but depending on your general health, the neurosurgeon will discuss all this in detail with you during your visit.

What is the follow-up and do I need to come back to Richmond?



Follow up is in two weeks and again in four months. Follow-ups can be in person or virtual via telephone or video consult.

Call now to speak with our nurse navigator, Denise Laine, at (804) 483-5711 or email her at janet.laine@hcahealthcare.com.