



# PULMONARY FUNCTION TEST



## **PULMONARY FUNCTION TESTS**

Your provider has recommended a full Pulmonary Function Test also known as a PFT. A full Pulmonary Function Test is a quick, noninvasive test that measures your breathing and lung function.

## **WHY IS THIS TEST PERFORMED?**

Pulmonary Function Tests are done to:

- Diagnose certain types of lung disease, such as asthma, bronchitis, emphysema and COPD
- Find the cause of shortness of breath
- Measure progress in disease treatment
- Assess the effect of medication
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- Check lung function prior to surgery
- Measure whether exposure to chemicals at work affects lung function

## **HOW WILL THIS TEST FEEL?**

For this test you will breathe through a tight-fitting mouthpiece and wear a soft nose clip to ensure all breathing is done through your mouth—most people find this test to be safe and quick. Since this test involves some forced and rapid breathing, you may experience temporary shortness of breath or become lightheaded.

## **This test will be scheduled and performed at:**

Onslow Pulmonology Associates  
Dr. Albert Curseen  
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Jacksonville, NC 28546  
910-577-4968

We look forward to your visit!

