



Dear valued patient,

You are scheduled for an office visit with one of our dermatologists.

Our office is located at

Our clinic can be reached at

TTY **711**.

In order to provide you with the best possible service, when you arrive for your appointment:

- Please complete and bring any forms you may have received with you to your appointment.
- Bring the name(s) of any medication(s) you have already used to treat your condition.
- Please contact your insurance company to find out what your benefits are for dermatology care.
- Be aware that if you have multiple health issues, more than one visit may be required due to time constraints. Our care team will notify you if another appointment is necessary.
- Please keep in mind that your appointment is reserved for you. Please schedule a separate appointment for family members who may also have issues they would like addressed.
- If you are under the age of 18, you must have a parent or legal guardian with you, or unfortunately, we will not be able to provide treatment for you.

During your exam, we may need to take a small biopsy (tissue sample) to determine whether or not a rash or a growth on your skin puts you at risk for skin cancer. While biopsies are covered by most insurance plans, it is possible that your plan may not pay 100% of the cost and may require payment toward your plan's deductible. If you have not met your insurance plan's deductible, you may receive a bill for the biopsy. There are many different insurance plans, so it is important that you check your benefits before you visit us.

Most rashes and growths will be biopsied during your initial visit, but some biopsies require a longer appointment and will be scheduled for a later date. The dermatologist will decide whether or not a biopsy can be performed the same day. All patients receive an initial evaluation and consultation with the physician before a decision is made about a procedure.

All samples that are removed are sent to a pathology laboratory for review. Results are returned to our office within 14 days. The results are reviewed by the dermatologist, and our care team will contact you with the results.

Please note: you may receive a separate bill from the pathologist for the laboratory services. For more information about benefits and coverage, please contact your health insurance plan.

We look forward to seeing you and appreciate the opportunity to serve you. Thank you for your cooperation in preparing for your visit with us.

Please sign below to let us know that you have read and understand this information.

Signature: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / _____

Printed name: _____

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