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## A NOTE TO OUR PATIENTS ABOUT NAVIGATING THE CURRENT HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

The complexity and confusion of today's health care delivery system is becoming increasingly difficult to manage for patients and for doctors' offices alike. Employers change plans within the same insurance company and insurance companies frequently change referral and approval requirements. We do our very best to keep up with these changes in the dozens of plans in which we participate. However, it is the responsibility of each patient to master the details of his own insurance coverage. We strongly recommend that prior to seeing any specialist or having any procedure, you contact your insurance company to confirm that the procedure or consultation is covered. Your insurance company should tell you, in advance, if you will have any financial responsibility. They will also be able to confirm if any referral or pre-authorization is needed.

We are honored that you have chosen our practice to work with you to be your health care partner. It is our collective burden to navigate the challenging health care delivery system.

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I have read and understand the above and will confirm all coverage information directly with my insurance company. I am financially responsible for medical care provided to me.

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