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Dear Patients,

During this period of national emergency related to COVID-19, we at Dr. Rick Dietz Partners in Health would like to inform you that we are closely following guidance from the Center for Disease Control, Georgia Department of Public Health and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. The safety of our staff, patients, and Doctor Dietz is paramount, and we believe the best strategy to protect our community from unnecessary risk is to exercise caution.

As the gravity of the COVID-19 virus has become clear, **we are implementing precautionary measures above and beyond the standard procedures strictly to protect the health and safety of our patients and staff.** These procedures include:

- Screening patients and visitors for fever, recent international travel history, and signs or symptoms of infection prior to appointments
- Implementing a strict hand-washing rule upon arrival to the office
- Increased disinfection of the waiting room and treatment rooms after each patient visit

We ask that you:

- Inform us if you are experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms, have an existing lung condition or immunodeficiency, or have traveled outside the US within the last month
- Take advantage of the hand sanitizers throughout our office

Our office will continue to be open for patient care. We understand the additional stress our patients with young school age children may be experiencing at this point. We will accommodate you to the best of our ability if you are unable to find childcare and need to bring your child(ren) with you to your appointment, however it would be prudent to schedule an appointment while you can arrange for their care to minimize exposure. As this situation evolves, we will continue to update our patients.

We look forward to seeing you at your next appointment. Please don't hesitate to call our offices should you have any concerns, and we will work diligently to address them.

Sincerest Regards,

Dr. Rick Dietz & Staff