IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR LAB TESTING

Important information for all patients.

After your initial visit and on subsequent visits throughout your treatment, Dr. Leder will order a number of lab tests to evaluate your health. Some tests will be ordered from the usual group of "reference laboratories" with which you may be familiar (e.g. Quest, LabCorp, etc.). For any tests ordered from this type of "traditional" lab, IT IS IMPERATIVE FOR YOU THAT YOU KNOW AND LET US KNOW WHICH LAB OR LABS HAS/HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED BY YOUR HEALTH INSURER AS THE LAB AFFILIATED WITH YOUR PARTICULAR POLICY. In this office, we are set up to send basic blood work to the following laboratories: -Quest

-BioReference

- LabCorp

If any of these is your policy's designated lab, we will be happy to send your blood work out to that lab directly from our office. There will be a fee for the processing of your specimen if drawn at our office.

But! If your insurer has designated some other lab than the above for you to use, it may well be financially to your advantage to go directly to your own designated lab to have this portion of your lab work done. Lab testing is inevitably expensive, often running several hundred dollars or more. The designated lab may be reimbursable at %100. The non-designated lab may be reimbursable at only %70 or %80, perhaps less a deductible. Depending on the provisions of your policy, it may not be reimbursable at all if the blood work is ordered by a physician who is out of network, such as Dr. Leder.

WE CANNOT KNOW EACH AND EVERY INDIVIDUAL HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY, AND IT'S SPECIFIC BENEFITS, PROVISIONS, AND EXCLUSIONS. THIS IS YOUR **PESPONSIBILITY** K nowing your policy in this and other regards can maximize your reimbursements

RESPONSIBILITY. Knowing your policy in this and other regards can maximize your reimbursements, and greatly reduce your out of pocket medical expenses.

If you tell the blood drawer which lab your insurer wishes you to use, we can assist you, either by drawing your blood in house, and sending it to the lab of your choice, or by providing you with a prescription to have your blood drawn at the lab chosen for you by your insurance company.

ONCE YOUR BLOOD HAS BEEN DRAWN IN OUR OFFICE AND DULY PROCESSED BY A PARTICULAR LAB, YOU WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LAB CHARGES, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOUR INSURER HAS SELECTED ANOTHER COMPANY FOR YOU OR NOT. AS MUCH AS WE WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMMODATE YOU, WE CAN ONLY ACCOMMODATE YOUR NEEDS IF YOU TELL US WHAT THEY ARE <u>BEFORE</u> YOUR BLOOD IS DRAWN AND PROCESSED.

PLEASE NOTE:

A number of tests not offered by traditional labs may be ordered from specialty labs by Dr. Leder. Typically, these tests are available from only a handful of labs throughout the country, s we cannot offer the same flexibility based on your insurance coverage as described above for these tests. You must ask the front desk for information of pre-verification of benefits on these tests if you wish to know in advance what type of insurance coverage you may expect.

Patient/Guardian Signature

Patient Name (Print)

Guardian Name (Print)

Date

Witness Signature

Date