

Dear Mr. Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ ,

You have been referred to Dr. Tamara Housman to be evaluated for possible Mohs Micrographic Surgery. Enclosed is a brochure that explains this procedure and other related questions and concerns. **Please complete the enclosed forms and bring them with you to your appointment.**

**Your appointment is for consultation and surgery but due to unknown risk factors or potential complications, your surgery may have to be rescheduled if Dr. Housman deems it necessary.** You may also elect to schedule a separate consult if you'd like to discuss your surgery and/or risk factors ahead of time. To schedule a separate consult, please call us at 919-390-0200.

Because of the nature of Mohs Micrographic Surgery, we cannot predict how long your surgery will take and therefore ask that you **plan on being at our clinic for the entire day.** Please refer to the next page for your pre-operative checklist.

**To decrease the possibility of having to reschedule your surgery, please contact our surgical staff immediately at 919-390-0208 if you have any of the following risk factors:**

- If you take Coumadin / Warfarin / Aggrenox
- If you take Plavix
- If you have a Pacemaker or Defibrillator
- If you take Prednisone
- If you are on chemotherapy
- If you are immunosuppressed, such as having had an organ transplant, are HIV positive, have a leukemia/lymphoma, or are on immunosuppressive drugs
- If you have a bleeding disorder, such as hemophilia

We are located at 3100 Duraleigh Road, Suite 201 in Raleigh at the corner of Duraleigh Road and Edwards Mill Road in the Raleigh Medical Center Building (formerly the Kaiser Permanente building across the street from the Char-Grill and Olde Raleigh Village shopping center). **Please note that we are NOT at the 3100 Blue Ridge Road building.**

Your appointment is currently scheduled for \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_AM PM. **Our clinic doors open at 7:15 AM.**

Payment is expected from you, at the time of service, for **“your part”** of the charges for services covered by insurance. Insurance coverage will be pre-verified and you will be responsible for any **unmet deductible, coinsurance, and/or copayments.** If you have two or more policies, we will file to each plan and you will receive a bill for your portion after each plan has processed the claim. Please note that follow-up visits may be billed as office visits and therefore you will be responsible for associated co-pays and/or deductibles. **Cancellations made with less than 48 hours notice may be subject to a Surgical Cancellation Fee of \$100.00.**

Sincerely,  
Scheduling Coordinator  
919-390-0200

## Pre-Operative Patient Checklist

Your surgery is scheduled for \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ AM PM

- **Our clinic doors open at 7:15 AM.**
- Because of the nature of Mohs Micrographic Surgery, we cannot predict how long your surgery will take and therefore ask that you **plan on being at our clinic for the entire day.**
- Please eat breakfast the morning of surgery unless you were specifically told not to eat breakfast.
- Please wear a shirt that buttons down the front to avoid pulling the shirt over your head.
- Feel free to bring items to occupy your time while waiting between Mohs stages (books, newspaper, etc). Wi-Fi is available if you'd like to bring a laptop.
- Light snacks are provided. Surgery day can be quite long; feel free to pack your own lunch. You are welcome to use our microwave and/or fridge. Restaurants are located across the street.
- \* Please discontinue the following medications 10 days before your surgery (when possible):

Ibuprofen	Motrin	Multivitamin	Ginseng
Advil	Gingko Biloba	Aleve	Vitamin E

- \* **Make sure to take all of your routine medications unless told otherwise.**
- \* **Continue your aspirin if prescribed by a physician.**
- \* **Tylenol (Acetaminophen) can be used for aches or pains per directions on medication label.**

If feasible, please bring **only one** family member or friend the day of surgery due to limited space in the waiting area.

Feel free to contact the clinic at (919) 390-0200 with any questions or concerns. Thank you!