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Dear Patient:

Thank you for contacting North Texas Joint Care, P.A. to schedule an appointment. We are delighted to welcome you to our private practice in adult rheumatology at the above address. Please visit our website at www.jointcare.org; your comments can be emailed by clicking on 'Mark'.

Rheumatology is the area of internal medicine which manages the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of autoimmune, musculoskeletal and arthritic conditions. These include osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, Sjogren's syndrome, vasculitis, scleroderma, bursitis, tendonitis, carpal tunnel syndrome, fibromyalgia, chronic fatigue and chronic pain syndromes, as well as other less common conditions. Please ask us about recent developments in rheumatology, such as targeted Biologics for RA, Lupus, and Chronic Gout, viscous knee injectables, and other anti-rheumatic therapies.

Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and some Friday mornings, with exceptions. We close for lunch from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Please complete and bring the attached documents, & arrive 15 minutes before your first scheduled appointment (Consult) to establish your registration. If you are late for the Consult visit, be prepared to be rescheduled; a NO SHOW fee may apply as 1 hour of Physician time has been reserved. For all HMO, POS, and EPO patients, a referral is required. All patients must have a primary care physician, as my practice is by referral consultation only. Your insurance card, driver's license and co-pay must be furnished at the time of your visit.

We very much look forward to meeting you. Best regards.

Sincerely,

Leyka M. Barbosa, M.D., F.A.C.R. Director, North Texas Joint Care