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To: Antigen (Allergy) Clinic Potential Patient
From: Antigen Clinic Supervisor

Student Health Services at the University of South Florida welcomes all new antigen patients to our clinic. Student Health Services Antigen Clinic staff **will not** administer your initial injection(s). You **must** receive initial injection(s) from your prescribing Allergist. If greater than six (6) months since your last injection(s) **you must** present to your Allergist office to be restarted. Supportive documentation of restart of injections **will be** required.

Complete **WRITTEN** instructions must be submitted by your Allergist on office letterhead before request for receipt of antigen therapy can be submitted for review to the Executive/Medical Director and/or designee. The review/approval process will be **between** 5-7 business days for completion. **No injections are administered until approval obtained.**

Instructions and information must be explained in detail before antigen injections can be administered. It is the **STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY** to obtain & provide these instructions and their antigen extract vial(s) from his/her Allergist office at the time of their Antigen Screening appt.

These instructions **must** include:

1. Patient's name
2. Dosage schedule
3. Frequency of injections
4. Contents of each vial
5. Concentration of each vial
6. Concentration dose amount & date of last injection(s)
7. Dose adjustment for missed/late injections:
8. Dose adjustment for local reactions:
9. Minimal number of days between injections
10. Peak Flow Parameters & Peak Flow Meter device (if indicated)
11. Epi-Pen device (current). Pt. will be instructed to obtain script from Allergist to replace device prior to exp. date.
12. Expiration date of vial(s) – (month/day/year)
13. ICD-10 Dx Code for insurance billing

Antigen extract vial(s) are not to be mailed to our facility. If mailed, the allergy materials should be mailed to you, who will then hand-carry it to Student Health Services.

Updated instructions are also required which outline the same information for all new supplies of antigen extract. This applies even if the new vial(s) has the same contents as the previous vial(s). A copy of the injection record will be given when ordering new extract.

Should any problems develop while receiving your antigen injections, you will be referred back to your Allergist office for evaluation and disposition.

Please call Student Health Services Call Center to arrange a screening appointment when you have obtained all the above information from your Allergist office. Bring your vial(s), instructions, and student ID card at the time of your screening appointment. Your Allergist instructions and vial(s) information will be reviewed by an Antigen nurse. During the screening process, the nurse will also explain the Antigen Clinic's policies and procedures. The fee for a screening appointment is \$24.00. **You will not be given any injection(s) on the day of your screening appointment.**

The current fee for receiving antigen injections is \$15.00 for a single injection. Multiple injections are \$20.00. Prices are subject to change. Antigen extracts are not combined for injection administration. In the event of an anaphylactic reaction, there will be additional charges for any emergency medications administered.

We look forward to assisting you with your antigen injections. Please contact the Antigen Clinic Services Supervisor if you have any questions or need additional information.