

WELCOME TO DR. KIM KUHAR, D.O. INTERNAL MEDICINE, P.C.

We are delighted that you have chosen our practice to assist you with your health care needs. In order to better serve our new patients, we have enclosed forms that need to be completed prior to your office visit. Please complete the 2 Medical History forms, our Notice of Patient Privacy Rights form, our Cancellation Policy and our HIPPA Privacy form. A form for Medical Records release is also included if you have records from a previous doctor.

We also request that you provide your medical insurance cards. Our receptionist will scan the card and your insurance information into our computer during our check-in process. If your health insurance requires a co-pay, or you have a deductible you will be required to pay at the time of your visit. We accept Cash, Check and Credit cards (Visa, Master Card and Discover) are accepted.

Please bring along any previous medical records or recent testing that you have. Any previous medical information is always beneficial for the doctors to have in diagnosing your treatment. Due to changes in law, for your protection against identity theft, we are asking that you bring a photo ID to your visit. If you do not have a photo ID, please bring a recent bill containing your name and address.

If you have any forms to be filled out, (School, Work, Sport, CDL physical, MA51, Disability, Nursing Home admission or Pre-Op Clearance) please bring them along at the time of your visit. We charge an Administrative fee for completing these forms.

As a friendly reminder, we will contact you at least two days in advance to confirm your appointment.

We look forward to meeting you! If you have any questions regarding the completion of the enclosed forms, please do not hesitate to contact our office. Our friendly and courteous staff will be available to assist you Monday thru Friday from 8am-4:30pm.

Sincerely,

Physicians and Staff of Dr. Kim P. Kuhar, DO Internal Medicine, P.C.

Patient's Name: _____ (please print)

Your rights regarding your health information:

1. Communications. You can request that our practice communicate with you about your health and related issues in a particular manner or at a certain location. For instance, you may ask that we contact you at home, rather than work. We will accommodate reasonable request.
2. You can request a restriction in our use or disclosure of your health information for treatment, payment if paid out of pocket for certain care or health care operations. Additionally, you have the right to request that we restrict our disclosure for your health information to only certain individuals involved in your care or the payment for your care, such as family members and friends. We are not required to agree to your request; however, if we do agree, we are bound by our agreement except when otherwise required by law, in emergencies, or when information is necessary to treat you.
3. You have the right to obtain a copy of the health information that may be used to make decisions about you, including patient paper and electronic medical records and billing records, but not including psychotherapy notes. We the practice has 30 days to respond to your request, and to charge an administrative fee of at least \$25.00 for this copy.
4. You must submit your request in writing with the name of your treating physician to the practices Privacy Official, Eileen Roetman, or to her designee who can be reached at 215.258.3810 if you need further information.
5. You may ask us to amend your health information if you believe it is incorrect or incomplete, and as long as it is kept by or for our practice. To request an amendment, your request must be made in writing and submitted to the practices Privacy Official, Eileen Roetman, who can be reached at 215.258.3810 if you need further information.
6. You have the right to a copy of this notice. You are entitled to receive a copy of this Notice of Privacy Practices. You may ask us to give you a copy of this Notice at any time. To obtain a copy of this notice, contact the practices Privacy Official, or her designee at 215.258.3810.
7. Right to file a complaint with our practices Privacy Official or with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. To file a complaint with our practice, contact the practices Privacy Official, Eileen Roetman who can be reached at 215.258.3810. All complaints must be submitted in writing. You will not be penalized for filing a complaint.
8. Right to provide an authorization for other uses and disclosures. Our practice will obtain you written authorization for uses and disclosures of Psychotherapy notes, or protected health information that the office uses for Marketing and any other protected health information that are not identified by this notice or permitted by applicable law.
9. You have right to be notified in writing upon a breach of any of your unsecured PHI
10. You have a right to opt out of getting fundraising communications from our office.

Patients Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES

Patient's Name: _____ (please print)

To our patients: This notice describes how health information about you, as a patient of this practice, may be used and disclosed, and how you can get access to your health information. This is required by the Privacy Regulations created as a result of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA) and Amended March 2013.

Our commitment to your privacy:

Our practice is dedicated to maintaining the privacy of your health information. We are required by law to maintain the confidentiality of your health information. We realize that these laws are complicated, but we must provide you with the following important information:

Use and disclosure of your health information in certain circumstances:

1. To public health authorities and health oversight agencies that are authorized by law to collect information.
2. Lawsuits and similar proceedings in response to court or administrative order.
3. If required to do so by a law enforcement official.
4. When necessary to reduce or prevent a serious threat to your health and safety or the health and safety of another individual or to the public. We will only make disclosures to a person or organization able to prevent the threat.
5. If you are a member of the U.S. or foreign military forces (including veterans) and if required by the appropriate authorities.
6. To federal officials for intelligence and national security activities authorized by law.
7. To correctional institutions or law enforcement officials if you are an inmate or under the custody of a law enforcement official.
8. For workers Compensation and similar programs.
9. For treatment purposes including sharing medical data with another provider, making referrals, placing lab or prescription orders.
10. For payment purposes, for filing claims either by paper or electronically.
11. For Health care operations, for quality assurance, utilization reviews, credentialing, underwriting and auditing.



Authorization for Release of Medical Records

Patient Name: _____

Patient Address: _____

Patient DOB: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Social Security Number: _____

I authorize the records to disclose/release the following information** (Check all applicable)

- All Records
- Laboratory/Pathology Results
- X-ray/Radiology Records
- Office Notes
- Other: _____

***Note: If these records contain any information about drug/alcohol abuse, sexually transmitted disease, or psychiatric issues, you are hereby authorizing disclosure of this information.*

Please release the records FROM:

(Complete name of person/organization)

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number/Fax Number

And send records TO:

Kim P. Kuhar, D.O. Internal Medicine, PC
164 W. Main Street, PO Box 420
Silverdale, PA 18962
P: 215.258.3810 | F: 215.258.3815

By signing below, I represent and warrant that I have authority to sign this document and authorize the use or disclosure of protected health information.

Signature of patient or patient's representative

Date





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Kim Kuhar, D.O.
Niccole Oswald, M.D.

164 West Main Street • Silverdale, Pa 18962
Phone: 215.258.3810 • Fax: 215.258.3815

Polly James, CRNP
Melissa Wagner, FNP. CRNP

Name: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Social Sec #: _____

Single | Divorced | Widowed | Separated

If Married, Spouse's Name _____

Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Sex: Male | Female

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Children Names & ages _____

Allergies to Medications, X-ray Dyes, or Other Substances (If yes, please list name of medicine and type of reaction)

Social History

Do you presently smoke? YES NO

Have you ever been a significant smoker? YES NO

Do you use any illicit drugs? YES NO

How much alcohol do you drink weekly? _____

Past Medical History and Review of Systems

Please circle if you have had problems with or are presently complaining of any of the following:

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. High Blood Pressure | 13. Bronchitis | 25. Ulcers | 37. Difficulty urinating |
| 2. Diabetes | 14. Pneumonia | 26. Change in bowel habits | 38. Arthritis |
| 3. Cancer | 15. Persistent Cough | 27. Unexplained weight gain/loss | 39. Low back problems |
| 4. Heart Disease | 16. T.B. | 28. Hemorrhoids | 40. Skin disease |
| 5. Chest pain/tightness | 17. Hay Fever | 29. Gall bladder disease | 41. Venereal |
| 6. Shortness of breath | 18. Abdominal discomfort | 30. Colitis | 42. Anxiety |
| 7. Swollen ankles | 19. Indigestion | 31. Hepatitis or Jaundice | 43. Blood disorders |
| 8. Palpitations | 20. Nausea | 32. Thyroid disease | 44. Depression |
| 9. Lightheadedness | 21. Vomiting | 33. Head or neck radiation | 45. Anemia |
| 10. Frequent Urination | 22. Constipation | 34. Headache | 46. Alcohol abuse |
| 11. Rheumatic Fever | 23. Diarrhea | 35. Kidney disease | 47. Drug abuse |
| 12. Asthma | 24. Blood in stool | 36. Kidney stones | 48. Gout |

Gynecologic and Obstetric History

Age at Onset of Periods: _____

Frequency: _____

Length of

Pregnancies: _____ Birth: _____

Period: _____

Prolonged or Abnormal Bleeding: NO YES

Please describe: _____

Leakage of Urine: NO YES

Please describe: _____

Pelvic Pain: NO YES

Please describe: _____

Abnormal Discharge: NO YES

Please describe: _____

History of Abnormal Pap Smear: NO YES

Please describe: _____

Medications (Prescriptions, Over-the-Counter, Vitamins, Herbs, etc.):

Drug Name

Drug Name



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Please list and supply the dates of:

Operations: _____

Hospitalizations other than for surgery: _____

Immunization History: (Have you had any of the following & if so, when?)

Pneumovax Immunization	_____ YES	_____ NO	Hepatitis A	_____ YES	_____ NO
Influenza Immunization	_____ YES	_____ NO	Hepatitis B	_____ YES	_____ NO
Tetanus Immunization	_____ YES	_____ NO	Varicella	_____ YES	_____ NO
Tuberculosis Test	_____ YES	_____ NO	MMR	_____ YES	_____ NO

Other: _____

Routine Exams: (Have you had any of the following & if so, when?)

Mammogram	_____ YES	_____ NO	Breast Exam	_____ YES	_____ NO
DexaScan	_____ YES	_____ NO	PAP Smear	_____ YES	_____ NO
Cholesterol Check	_____ YES	_____ NO	Colonoscopy	_____ YES	_____ NO
Prostate Exam	_____ YES	_____ NO	EKG	_____ YES	_____ NO
Stool Check for Blood	_____ YES	_____ NO			

Family History:

Has any member of your family (including parents, grandparents, children, and siblings) ever had the following?

<i>Illness</i>	<i>Which family member(s)?</i>	<i>Approx. age when discovered?</i>
Cancer (describe type)	_____	_____
Hypertension	_____	_____
Heart Disease	_____	_____
Diabetes	_____	_____
Strokes	_____	_____
Mental Disease (anxiety, depression, etc.)	_____	_____
Drug or Alcohol Addiction	_____	_____
Glaucoma	_____	_____
Colon Polyps	_____	_____

Are your parents still alive? ___ YES ___ NO if so, age(s)? _____

Prevention:

Do you wear seatbelts?	_____ YES	_____ NO	If no, why not? _____
Do you wear a bike helmet?	_____ YES	_____ NO	_____ N/A
Do you drink coffee?	_____ YES	_____ NO	If yes, how many cups per day? _____
Do you drink tea?	_____ YES	_____ NO	If yes, how many cups per day? _____
Is there a gun in your home?	_____ YES	_____ NO	_____ N/A

Have you ever engaged in any activity which:

Has put you at risk of getting AIDS?	_____ YES	_____ NO	If yes, explain _____
Do you wish to get tested for AIDS?	_____ YES	_____ NO	
Have you ever worked with chemicals, paints, asbestos, or hazardous materials?			If yes, explain _____
Are you in a physically abusive relationship?	_____ YES	_____ NO	
Do you ever feel afraid of your partner?	_____ YES	_____ NO	_____ N/A
Do you have a living will?	_____ YES	_____ NO	
Do you have a donor card?	_____ YES	_____ NO	
Method of birth control?	_____ YES	_____ NO	If yes, explain _____

This information is used by your physician as part of your confidential medical record.



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FINANCIAL POLICY

Patient's Name: _____

Thank you for choosing us as your health care provider. We are committed to your treatment being successful. Please understand that payment of your bill is considered a part of your treatment. The following is a statement of our Financial Policy, which we require you read and sign prior to any treatment.

- All patients must complete our Information and Insurance forms before seeing the doctor.
- FULL PAYMENT OF PATIENT RESPONSIBILITY IS DUE AT TIME OF SERVICE.
- We accept cash, checks, money orders, and credit cards.
- Insurance cards must be presented at initial visit, or patient will need to reschedule.
- All copays, deductibles, and payment of non-covered services are due prior to treatment.

Regarding Insurance:

Non-Participating

Payment for services is due at the time the services are rendered unless payment arrangements have been approved by our billing company. We will be happy to help you process your insurance claim form for your reimbursement. A completed insurance form must accompany any such request at each visit. In special instances, we may accept assignment of insurance benefits. Regardless of any prior arrangements, you are responsible for any out of pocket deductible or co-insurance and these amounts must be paid up front. The balance is your responsibility whether your insurance company pays or not. Your insurance policy is a contract between you and your insurance company. We are not a party to that contract. If your insurance company has not paid your account in full within 31 days, the balance will be automatically transferred to you.

Participating

Please be aware that some, and perhaps all, of the services provided may be non-covered services. It is our policy not to perform those services unless deemed medically necessary.

Usual and Customary Rates/Non Participating

Our practice is committed to providing the best treatment for our patients and we charge what is usual and customary for our area. You are responsible for payment regardless of any insurance company's arbitrary determination of usual and customary rates.

Missed Appointments

Unless canceled 24 hours in advance, unless the cancellation was for an emergency, i.e. hospitalization. Our policy is to charge for missed appointments at the rate of \$40 per missed appointment. Please help us serve you better by keeping scheduled appointments.

- I acknowledge full responsibility for services rendered by Kim P. Kuhar, DO, PC.
- I understand that payment of charges incurred is due at time of service unless other financial arrangements have been made prior to treatment.
- I further authorize and request that payments be made directly to Kim P. Kuhar, DO, PC
- If my insurance prohibits direct payment to a doctor, I hereby instruct and direct you to make out the check to Kim P. Kuhar, DO, PC and mail it as follows: 164 W.Main Street, Silverdale, PA 18962
- I have read the Financial Policy, understand it, and agree to the terms of this Financial Policy.

Patients Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Patients Name: _____

MEDICAL APPOINTMENT CANCELLATION/NO SHOW POLICY

Thank you for trusting your medical care to Kim Kuhar, Do Internal Medicine. When you schedule an appointment with our practice we set aside enough time to provide you with the highest quality care. Should you need to cancel or reschedule an appointment please contact our office as soon as possible, and no later than 24 hours prior to your scheduled appointment. This gives us time to schedule other patients who may be waiting for an appointment. Please see our Appointment Cancellation/No Show Policy below:

- Effective August 1, 2018 any established patient who fails to show or cancels/reschedules an appointment and has not contacted our office with **at least 24 hours' notice** will be considered a No Show and charged a **\$40.00 fee**.
- Any established patient who fails to show or cancels/reschedules an appointment with no 24 hour notice a **second** time will be charged a **\$60.00 fee**.
- If a **third**, No Show or cancellation/reschedule with no 24-hour notice should occur the patient may be **dismissed** from the practice.
- Any new patient who fails to show for their initial visit will not be rescheduled.
- The fee is charged to the patient, not the insurance company, and is **due prior to the time of the patient's next office visit**.

We understand there may be times when an unforeseen emergency occurs, and you may not be able to keep your scheduled appointment. If you should experience extenuating circumstances please contact our Front office Supervisor, Dawn Balint to discuss and she may be able to waive the No Show fee.

I have read and understand the Medical Appointment Cancellation/No Show Policy and agree to its terms.

Signature

Printed Name

Staff Witness Signature

Date

Participating in a New Program to Enhance Your Care:

Primary Care First

Primary Care First is an innovative healthcare payment program that aims to improve our patients' care experience.

Giving doctors extra support to help you get better care

Our goal has always been to provide you with the highest quality of care. Through Primary Care First, we will receive additional resources from Medicare and other health insurance companies to help us enhance our work and provide you the best quality, patient-centered care.

More information for patients with original Medicare

As part of this program, Medicare will start sharing some of your personal health information with us, such as when you receive care at hospitals, emergency departments, and specialist offices. This will help provide us with a more complete picture of your health and allow us to better coordinate your care.

If you want to stop Medicare from sharing this information, you should call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Your Medicare benefits are not changing, and this program is only intended to enhance the healthcare you receive at Kuhar Medical. You still have the right to use or visit any doctor or hospital that accepts Medicare, at any time. Your doctor may continue to recommend that you see particular doctors for your specific health needs, but it is always your choice which doctors you use or hospital you visit.

Questions?

If you have questions or concerns, you can bring it up at your next appointment.

For more information about this new Medicare program, please:

- Visit the [Primary Care First webpage](#); or
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE.