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RE: UPDATE - IMMEDIATE CARDIAC EVALUATION PROGRAM (ICEP)

Dear Valued Provider,

The Culinary Health Fund's Immediate Cardiac Evaluation Program (ICEP) was introduced to provide physicians with the necessary resources to facilitate direct access to participating cardiology offices for immediate evaluation of patients with cardiac symptoms. In turn, this provides patients with an alternative to waiting long hours in the emergency room for low level cardiac symptoms.

Please take a moment to review the updated list of cardiology offices (Immediate Cardiac Evaluation Centers, or ICEC) that have committed to provide timely cardiac evaluations the same or next day, for your patients with chest pain, palpitations, new onset atrial fibrillation, etc.

The Fund encourages providers to utilize the ICEP as a resource that will improve access for your patients requiring timely cardiac evaluations and help avoid defaulting to the emergency room. If the first office contacted is unable to accommodate your requested time/location, or should you have any addition questions regarding this program, please contact the Provider Service Line at (702) 892-7313.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Voss". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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