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Dear Patient,

We are pleased you have selected Dr. Wimberley to evaluate and treat your spine condition. In order to facilitate your care, the following office policies have been created. Please read them closely and ask us to clarify any questions that you might have.

1. Dr. Wimberley is trained as a spine surgeon. He is not trained in pain management. Inasmuch, he does not and will not prescribe medications for the treatment of chronic spinal pain or in those patients who have no need for surgery. Ample pain medicine is provided in the hospital for surgical conditions and for the two months following discharge. Patients with pain management problems will be referred to their primary care doctor or to a neuropsychiatrist with special expertise in the management of chronic pain.
2. In those patients in whom a medication was prescribed, refills may be requested only during office hours: M - Th 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. & Fridays 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
3. We respect the value of your time and will make every effort to remain on schedule. Occasionally, emergencies cause us to be late or necessitate our office to reschedule your appointment. In that event, we will make all attempts to contact you before you reach our office.

We ask that you respect the value of our time and that of our other patients. Call us if you are unable to be on time so that we can reschedule your appointment.

4. Please do not call the office for test results. Diseases of the spine and the tests to evaluate them are highly complex and Dr. Wimberley prefers to review all test results directly with the patient. Please make an appointment no less than 10 days following your test to discuss the results with Dr. Wimberley. If you have an imaging study (XRAY, CT scan or MRI) done at an outside facility, please obtain a copy of the films and the radiologist report and bring them to your next appointment.
5. Disability forms are time consuming for our staff and cannot be completed during clinic hours. Please allow 4 days for completion of such forms. Be sure to complete your portion of the form prior to leaving it with us and provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Although we are happy to fill out forms for our patients, the time demands placed on our staff associated with such forms are significant. As a result, we must charge a \$25 fee for each form. We regret any inconvenience this may cause.
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Please sign below to indicate that you received and fully understand these policies.

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Date