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Dear Tanner Clinic Medicare Patient,

We enjoy being your clinic and seeing you as a patient. Thank you for your trust in us. We hope we never violate that trust and always give you the best medical service possible.

Our records indicate you have already come in this year for your Annual Wellness Visit. Thank you! The world of medicine is getting more and more patient-centered. That is a good thing. In many respects, Medicare leads out on that front by providing benefits to you to keep you as healthy as possible and at the same time reduce the overall costs of healthcare. One of those benefits is the Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) that they ask you to get each year from your primary care doctor. Medicare finds that by paying for this visit, it keeps patients healthier and out of the hospital more.

Part of the ability for a clinic such as Tanner Clinic to offer Annual Wellness Visits (AWV) and monitor your overall health is to do so as part of an Accountable Care Organization (ACO). To that end, Tanner Clinic is part of the "Aledade" ACO that assists with keeping you healthy as stated above. Aledade is not an insurance company. They simply work with us and your insurance, Medicare, to accomplish the myriad of steps appropriate to manage the health of our Medicare patient population. Attached you will find the notice from Medicare that we are required to send you that describes what an ACO is and your rights within that ACO.

When you find you are in emergent need of medical care, please remember we have daytime walk-in Urgent Care services at all of our clinic locations (Layton, East Layton, Roy, Clinton, Syracuse, Kaysville) to take care of you when your need isn't life-threatening and doesn't require the expense or extent of a hospital emergency room. That Urgent Care service is also available at some of our locations (Layton, Clinton) in the evenings and on Saturdays. Before going to the emergency room, consider our ability to service you much more quickly and cost-effectively.

Let's work together to keep you healthy and home and out of the hospital or emergency room.

Happy Holidays. Stay Safe.

Tanner Clinic Physicians and Staff.

(For any questions about any of the above, please reach out to our staff at 801 773-4840)