January 2013

- RE: 1) REGISTERING NEWBORNS IMMEDIATELY WITH INSURANCE
 - 2) KNOW YOUR COVERAGE FOR IMMUNIZATIONS, WELL AND SICK APPOINTMENTS

Dear Parents,

Please call your insurance company immediately if you have not yet reported the birth of your child. If you delay reporting your child's birth, insurance may not make payments.

Immunizations for your child are very costly. The first year of life the cost of immunizations is approximately \$2400. Additional to that is the needed well child visits to check for developmental progress. Both are essential. The average cost of well care and immunizations in the first year of life is approximately \$3200. Surprisingly, not all plans cover immunization care or there are limits on this coverage. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT YOU CONTACT YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY RIGHT AWAY AND UNDERSTAND YOUR COVERAGE. Your child will start the immunization process at the 2 month visit.

If your insurance company does not pay for vaccine or you have inadequate coverage you can go to your county health department for reduced cost vaccine administration. If you do this you need to bring or fax your immunization records to us for tracking your child's total health care. The vaccines the county provides are the same high quality vaccines we provide in our office.

Don't delay!!! Call your insurance company today!

Sincerely, The Physicians of Children's Health Partners

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENTS:

Will County: 501 Ella Ave., Joliet, 815-727-8450

DuPage County: 111 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, 630-682-7400

Kane County: 1240 N. Highland Ave., Aurora, 630-897-1124

Kendall County: 811 John St., Yorkville, 630-553-9100