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CHLAMYDIA SCREENING

Dear Parent or Guardian,

As part of a comprehensive health care visit, routine screening for Chlamydia is recommended for female teens. This screen is recommended in the same way that many other "routine" screens are, like immunizations or cholesterol screening.

To screen for Chlamydia we will ask for a urine sample, which then is sent out to a laboratory for testing. Your daughter will be notified of the results.

Chlamydia is extremely common and can be treated once identified. It is the leading preventable cause for infertility in the USA. Chlamydia infection rates are highest in sexually active females 15-19 years of age.

When routine screening is undertaken, we may screen females that are not at risk. This screen is recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the NYS Department of Health and insurance companies.

We appreciate your support in caring for your teenagers and hope to offer them the best comprehensive health care.

Sincerely,

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