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For Scheduling Appointments, please call:

Referring providers are encouraged to follow these guidelines for at least a month, and then initiate a referral if patient has not improved. Atopic dermatitis cannot be cured, but it can be controlled.

Treatment Guidelines:

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- Patient is at high risk for recurrent or new melanoma or dysplastic nevi (i.e. positive self or family history in first or second degree relatives)
- Sudden or worrisome changes (e.g., in size, shape, color) or development of persistent symptoms (e.g., itching, pain, bleeding, etc.)
- Growth is not proportionate with child's growth

General Information:

- It is normal to develop new moles in childhood.
- It is normal to see uniform growth or thickening of moles with overall growth of a child.
- Moles may also enlarge with growth spurts or around puberty.
- Congenital moles (moles present at birth or during infancy) are typically larger than acquired moles and may thicken and/or become hairy over time.
- If lesion has been biopsied or removed, please include a copy of the path report with referral.

Please follow guidelines for at least two to three months prior to the initiation of referral.

Referring provider's initial evaluation and management should include:

- Education of parents: molluscum is benign in children.
- Molluscum will resolve itself within a few months to years, so treatment may not be necessary.
- Treatment by the PCP may be reasonable if lesions are numerous (>15), spreading, or cosmetically or functionally significant.
- Please note the below treatment recommendations have the potential to cause skin irritation.
- Expect several weeks to months for signs of improvement.

Treatment Recommendations:

- Over the counter Differin (adapalene) gel 0.1%
 - three times per week
- Tretinoin cream 0.025%
 - Eyelids: three times per week
 - Face: three to five times per week
 - Body: three to five times per week

Please note:

- We do not treat molluscum contagiosum with laser.
- We very rarely treat molluscum contagiosum with cryotherapy or curettage removal.

General Information:

- "Onychomycosis" refers to fungal infection of the nail(s).
- Suggestive features of onychomycosis include:
 - Nails that are thickened, brittle, discolored, separating from the nail bed and/or have subungual debris
 - Adjacent skin involvement suspicious for infection (erythematous/red, scaly, pruritic)
- Children with onychomycosis frequently have a first-degree relative or other household member with onychomycosis and/or tinea pedis.
- Ideally, all close contacts with active skin and/or nail infection should be treated by a physician to avoid re-infection.
- Recurrence is common and treatment does not always guarantee a permanent cure.
- **Confirmation of diagnosis is important. Not all nail dystrophy is fungal in origin.** Please note, if all nails are abnormal or dystrophy is bilaterally symmetric, consider another etiology.

Treatment Recommendations:

- **Lab confirmation of fungal infection may be required by insurance to cover cost of medication and any recommended laboratory testing during treatment.**
- Ideally, send two nail clippings for testing:
 - One for fungal stain
 - One for culture
- If involvement is superficial only and/or does not involve the lunula, may try topical therapy with Ciclopirox nail lacquer solution 8%.
 - Apply to affected area nightly until nail clears
 - Residue may be removed from nail once weekly with alcohol (not required)
- If lunula/matrix involved and fungal stain and/or culture are positive for dermatophyte, **systemic therapy will be required to clear infection.**

Scabies Treatment Guide

Referral Guidelines

- periumbilicus and genitalia, refer to Dermatology for treatment recommendations below, please refer to Dermatology for treatment of periumbilicus and genitalia

General Information:

- It is an infestation of the skin by the mite *Sarcoptes scabiei*
- Transmitted by close person-to-person contact
- It is severely itchy, especially at night
- Rash is usually on the sides and webs of fingers, flexor wrists, extensor elbows, folds, periumbilicus and genitalia
- Infants often have more severe eruption with involvement of palms and soles

Diagnosis:

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Referring provider's initial evaluation and management should include:

- Expect to treat warts for three to six months

Referral Guidelines:

- Send referral if warts persist beyond three to six months despite treatment