

## **PEDIATRIC PARTNERS, LLC SCHOOL NOTE POLICY**

Pediatric Partners, LLC (“Clinic”), on occasion, receives calls, from parents of school-age children, requesting a note from our Clinic to be provided to the school to document the child’s absence from school was due to a medical condition or illness.

Sometimes the Clinic provides these notes to the parents without seeing the child with the note reflecting we did not actually see the child but relied on what the parent told us. When we do not see the child, it makes it very difficult for our health care providers to make the judgment call as to whether we should provide the note and it puts our Clinic in an uncomfortable position. While we understand many illnesses do not require the child to be seen by a health care provider, and are happy to accommodate a parent’s note request in these situations, we want to make sure the child is receiving proper medical care when multiple notes are requested without office visits.

Accordingly, the Clinic has implemented the following Policy. **Effective September 1, 2015, the Clinic will not issue more than two (2) school notes, covering no more than three (3) missed days, during a rolling 30 day period without an office visit.** If the child has missed that many days within a 30 day period, it would be within the child’s best health interests to be evaluated by one of our health care providers; if your child has been seeing another provider (i.e. specialists), it would be more appropriate to request the school note from that provider.