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Jane Doe 99999 MRN: 1726191

Dear Ms. Doe:

RE: Your breast imaging exam done on:

Interpreted by:

Report sent to: Hmed Test-Doctor

Thank you for your recent visit to WakeMed for your breast imaging exam.

Your recent breast imaging exam did not show any sign of cancer. Please remember that some cancers (about 20%) cannot be found by mammography alone and that early detection requires a combination of monthly self-examinations, yearly clinical breast examinations and periodic mammography. The American Cancer Society recommends a yearly mammogram after the age of 40.

North Carolina legislature now requires that we report to patients their breast density on mammography exams. Given your breast tissue is dense, we are obligated to add the following paragraph to your report:

Your mammogram indicates that you may have dense breast tissue. Dense breast tissue is relatively common and is found in more than forty percent (40%) of women. The presence of dense tissue may make it more difficult to detect abnormalities in the breast and may be associated with an increased risk of breast cancer. We are providing this information to raise your awareness of this important factor and to encourage you to talk with your physician about this and other breast cancer risk factors. Together, you can decide which screening options are right for you. A report of your results was sent to your physician.

More information about breast density can be obtained from the North Carolina Breast Density Information Group using the following website http://ncacr.org/breast-health.php

Your breast images have been interpreted and are being stored with a copy of your report. When you obtain your next breast imaging exam, it is very important to tell the provider when and where you had this breast imaging exam.

Please continue regular breast self-examinations and report any changes that concern you to your physician, even before your next appointment. If you have any further questions please contact your physician. Thank you for allowing us to participate in your healthcare.

Sincerely, Eithne T. Burke, M.D., Danielle L. Wellman, M.D. Clinical Co-Directors, Breast Imaging



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