



RCC UPDATES WEEK 3/23/2020

All of the doctors and staff at RCC care about you and want to provide helpful updates during a difficult health crisis.

There are no clinic visits scheduled the week 3/23-3/27 due to good reasons with routine spring break vacations. Please keep your nurse visits this week. The lab is open Thursday, 3/26/2020.

Urgent/emergency rheumatology calls will be triaged by our nursing staff and Dr. Perkins while she is out on vacation.

The office will reopen 3/30/2020 for clinic visits with newer policies for lower volume in the clinic and for patients who need to get their treatments with shots or infusions. If you are not sick with any infection symptoms and have not traveled out of the state, we are encouraging you to keep your appointment at the office and get your routine safety labs. Maintaining your safety and health during this time is our top priority.

Given the nature of Rheumatology visits, your appointments are best in person. Of note, telemedicine is not an option for patients overdue for appointments (missed or no showed recently), have recent acute issues or health changes, or labs are due.

If you are not already taking hydroxychloroquine, we are not going to start new prescriptions by phone. The shortage due to indiscriminate prescribing is already negatively impacting our patients.

Stay Well!