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Dear Mammography Patient:

A screening mammogram is an exam performed as part of a wellness program. It is performed every 12 months or less as determined by your primary care physician. A screening mammogram should **NOT** be done more often than every 12 months *unless directed by your primary care physician*. Generally, insurance companies will only pay for a screening mammogram every 12 months, and **the patient will be required to pay for any charges not covered by insurance**. You should record and keep the dates and schedule your next screening mammogram 12 months plus one day from the last screening. **Diagnostic mammograms are performed if you are experiencing some type of issue and are not performed at this facility. Additionally, patients with breast implants will be referred to another facility. If you have a PERSONAL history of breast cancer, you will need to be referred to another facility.**

It is important that you complete your history form to the best of your knowledge. This keeps your mammography record current and better enables the radiologist to interpret today's exam. It is important to update your history at each annual screening mammogram.

If your last screening mammogram was not performed at Family Medical Center of Rocky Mount, you will be asked to complete and sign a release form. The radiologist needs your **LAST** mammogram so that he/she may compare it to the one we are performing at this visit. The form will ask you to designate **permanent release or temporary release**. Choosing a permanent release means that after the radiologist reads today's films and compares them to your previous films, Family Medical Center will keep all films on file as part of your permanent mammogram record until such time as you request that they be forwarded to another facility. Choosing temporary release means that all previous films will be returned to the facility from which they were obtained after the radiologist has read them. Please advise the Technologist if your last screening mammogram was performed at Boice-Willis Clinic as they require a separate release form. If your last screening mammogram was not performed locally, you will need to provide contact information so that Family Medical Center may fax a release form to that facility. While it is not required, it will expedite the process if you call the facility and request the films be transferred to Family Medical Center of Rocky Mount. In some cases, it may take several weeks to receive films from other facilities.

You should receive your results by mail within 30 days. If additional views are required, we will make every attempt to contact you by telephone prior to mailing the letter. Your exam is considered incomplete until the additional views are obtained.

Thank you for choosing Family Medical Center of Rocky Mount for your screening mammogram.

Candy Strickland RT®
Radiology Manager

Patient Signature: _____
(I acknowledge that I have read the above form and agree with the terms)

Date: _____