

## **Dear Patients**,

We want to assure you that we take the health and well-being of our community, patients, and colleagues very seriously. As we are monitoring the rapid growth of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), we want to update you today with the latest clinic schedule due to the pandemic. No one at NextStep Foot & Ankle Centers has been impacted by the virus. Therefore, we are still open and accepting new patients throughout all our clinics.

We have had some changes to our podiatrist schedule. Starting this week, all our clinics hours have fluctuated a minimum amount to accommodate the patient volumes. We have shortened clinic hours for the time being to allow our employees to sanitize the offices thoroughly. We want to assure you that we are taking all precautions necessary to keeping a clean environment for all our patients and employees.

We are here to serve you as best as we can during this difficult time and we want to provide you with the essential care needed for your feet and ankles. Please help us to help you! If you have a runny nose, fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, or fatigue please warn the Medical Assistant or reschedule your appointment to a later date. We want to keep our patients and colleges safe.

For more information regarding COVID-19, please visit the following websites: Illinois - http://www.dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/diseases-az-list/coronavirus Missouri - https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novelcoronavirus/results.php

We appreciate your time and patience with us. We are working hard to keep our 12 clinics running and sanitized. We will keep you updated with further changes associated with COVID-19. We are here to serve you as best as we can during this difficult time. Please give us a call with any questions or concerns at (314) 909-1920. We are all in this together!

Thank you! Abigail Niemeyer Director of Marketing