

We received a referral from your Physician for your appointment at Western Washington Arthritis Clinic

Our *first* goal is to help patients receive a diagnosis, or to confirm the diagnosis that best fits their medical issues and to treat complex autoimmune diseases. This means we will generally act *as consultants only* for some patients. Many diagnoses such as Fibromyalgia or Hypermobility, or other disease states do not require ongoing rheumatologic care and will be referred back to your PCP or referring physician with our recommendations for treatment.

We will not be providing prescription pain management services, as this is better managed by specialists in that area

To accomplish these goals, if you choose to be seen at Western Washington Arthritis Clinic you will receive one new consultation visit and one follow up visit if any tests are performed. We will then provide written recommendations for your referring physician if that is where we feel treatment would best be rendered. If your diagnosis is one that is best treated by us we will set up further appointments.

While we endeavor to see patients in a timely manner, certain circumstances could arise where appointments may need to be rescheduled due to Physician schedule changes.

If you have concerns about any of the above mentioned issues please call if you wish to cancel your appointment.

Please fill out the following pages *completely* before your appointment to help us determine your care plan.

