

Referring office script to explain referral of patient to the CAT Clinic

Your doctor has requested that you be referred to the Community Anticoagulation Therapy (CAT) Clinic. It is funded as part of a Federal Grant, Partnerships in Patient Safety to put into practice programs that show evidence of improving patient safety. This service has been set up to assist physician offices in managing patients on coumadin. The nurse at the CAT Clinic has special training in anticoagulation therapy and will work closely with your physicians and nurses to provide continued care. When you are enrolled in the clinic you will meet with the nurse to review your coumadin therapy. After this the CAT Clinic nurse will contact you by telephone each time you have an INR test. You will still have your blood drawn at the lab of your choosing, but your INR results will be sent to the CAT Clinic nurse. She will call you with the results. Your doctor will continue to manage and oversee your medical care. The CAT Clinic nurse will contact your doctor each time you have an INR drawn.

You will be contacted within the next week by CAT Clinic personnel to schedule an appointment.

You have the option to participate in this program.