

## **Why Referrals Matter**

**Background:** As the metro's leading healthcare providers, we've come together to transform healthcare in Kansas City through a clinically integrated network designed to lower the cost and improve the quality of patient care.

Why referrals matter: When patients stay within the Centrus Health network, we are in the best position to deliver better access, better care, and lower cost. This value is regularly validated by our current contract performance compared to non-Centrus Health providers. Our ability to keep patients in our network has earned us a reputation as the provider network of choice for payers and employers.

MSSP Waiver: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services provides through the Medicare Shared Savings Program an optional waiver of Stark and antikickback laws. The Centrus Health KC board elected back in 2017 to approve use of the waiver for keeping care within Centrus Health KC participants through in-network referrals whenever possible. The board approved use of the waiver so that the benefits from clinical integration of care delivery (cost savings, quality improvement, and better patient experience of care) can be more effectively achieved. The waiver still applies today and facilitates using our network integrity strategy to achieve these benefits for our patients.

## How You Can Help:

- 1) Refer patients within the Centrus Health network whenever possible.
- 2) Understand which providers are in Centrus Health.
- 3) Enable referral coordinators to know who is in the network.

## Who's in Centrus Health KC?

- Physicians employed by AdventHealth Shawnee Mission
- Physicians employed by North Kansas City Hospital or its affiliate Meritas Health
- Physicians employed by The University of Kansas Health System
- Clay-Platte Family Medicine Clinic
- Cobblestone Family Health
- Continuum Health Care
- Digestive Health Specialists
- Discover Vision Centers
- Dwayne Jones, MD Pain Medicine
- Gastrointestinal Associated Specialists
- Gates Hospitalists
- Henry Kanarek MD Allergy & Immunology
- Jayhawk Primary Care
- Kala Danushkodi, MD Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
- Kansas City Urology Care
- Leawood Family Care
- Lee's Summit Physician Group Internal Medicine
- MAWD Pathology

- Mid America Cardiology
- · Midtown Family Medicine
- Midwest Anesthesia Associates
- Midwest Emergency Medical Services
- Midwest Hemorrhoid Treatment Center
- Midwest Medical Specialists
- Midwest Orthopedics
- Nephrology Associates
- Northland Eye Specialists
- Northland Family Care
- Northland Orthopedics & Sports Medicine
- Northland Radiology
- Orthopedic Surgeons, Inc.
- Pain Source Solutions
- · Priority Care Pediatrics
- Somers Eye Center
- · Spine Surgery, Ltd
- Sunflower Medical Group
- Orthopedic Health of Kansas City
- United Medical Group