Happy Holidays!

A Message from Our Director of Provider Engagement

Dear Valued CenterLight Provider,

As we reflect on 2019, we at CenterLight would like to thank you all for your continued efforts in caring for those we serve. Our team-based approach has been critical to keeping our participants safe in the community and this would not be possible without our shared commitment to those we serve.

With the future of healthcare changing, we’re placing greater emphasis on the social and environmental factors influencing our participants. The PACE mission not only provides medical care for our elderly population, but also addresses all the psychosocial factors critical to maintaining their health and well-being. Looking ahead to 2020, we’re delighted that the CMS and DOH focus aligns with our philosophy to increase the quality of health outcomes, rather than the quantity of services provided.

We hope to see you at our 1st Annual Community Provider Appreciation Dinner on December 12 in Rockaway Parkway and December 18 in our Wallerstein center, where we’ll offer a compelling presentation on the Social Determinants of Healthcare. Along with our President and CEO David Rock, I look forward to connecting with you there.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Veras De Leon
Director of Provider Engagement

Provider Spotlight: Sure Medical

A board-certified internist with more than 20 years’ experience, Hertzel K. Sure, MD, believes that overcoming disease requires more than simply medicine: the relationship between patient and doctor must provide a solid foundation for healing. Summing up his patient care philosophy, Dr. Sure explains, “My patients come first, no matter what.”

Serving the Elmhurst, Queens area since 2003, Sure Medical Care offers an extensive range of preventive

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“The PACE program is a gamechanger for older adults in need.”

- Dr. Sure

CenterLight encourages our Primary Care Physicians to educate our participants on the importance of obtaining the flu vaccine. Participants can get vaccinated at their CBPCP office as well as our PACE sites. Please remind your patients that:

• The Health Department recommends that anyone six months and older receive a flu shot.

• Those who are 50 or older are considered to be at high risk for the flu and should get vaccinated as soon as possible.

• Receiving the vaccine annually is critical as new flu vaccines are produced every year to keep up with flu viruses that change rapidly over time.

• Antibodies to the flu vaccine decline over time too – another reason to get a flu vaccine annually.

• Other populations at high risk of influenza complications include people with ongoing medical conditions, such as asthma, diabetes, or heart disease.

Thank you in advance for your partnership on this critical concern.

- Hena Siddiqui, MD
  Chief Medical Officer, CenterLight Health System
Did you know that you can refer your patients to CenterLight any time of the year?

We understand that the Annual Enrollment Period can be a confusing and stressful time for your patients and their caregivers, and our team is here to assist.

If you have patients who’d benefit from our services and want information about our program, you can refer them to us. Please note that current CenterLight Teamcare participants do not need to take any action at this time.

CenterLight Teamcare has no lock-in period, which means we can accept referrals and enroll participants any time of the year.

Simply call us at:

1-877-212-8877 (TTY 711)
9AM - 5PM Monday-Friday (Representatives and message service also available on weekends.)

We look forward to continuing to work with you in helping enrich the lives of the individuals and communities we serve.

The Provider Engagement Team is always here to be your resource. Here’s how to contact us:

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