



Dear Patients and Friends:

We are very pleased to announce that effective May 1, 2020, Island Internal Medicine and La Conner Medical Center have joined The Everett Clinic, part of Optum. The Everett Clinic is a multi-specialty medical group with over 30 sites of care in Snohomish and King Counties. They have very similar values to Island Internal Medicine and La Conner Medical Center and are physician-led, patient-centered and focused on quality care.

Over the past year, Island Internal Medicine and La Conner Medical Center have partnered with The Everett Clinic to help elevate the level of care and resources we'll be able to provide our patients and community. Joining The Everett Clinic family broadens our in-network access to excellent physician specialists and patient resources.

Your relationship with your provider will not change, and you will see the same friendly faces when you come into the clinic. Moving forward, you will start to see our name transitioning to "The Everett Clinic at Island Internal Medicine" and "The Everett Clinic at La Conner Medical Center," which helps us preserve our history, while embracing our exciting new future. The Everett Clinic, part of Optum, will be listed on your billing statements as of May 1, 2020 and longer term, we will be growing to provide you with even more services.

We know change can sometimes be challenging. Please be assured you will continue to get the great physician-led, patient-centered care you expect from us. As we make this transition, we believe you too will appreciate the additional services and new ways of receiving care we will be able to provide to you thanks to our partnership with The Everett Clinic.

It is our pleasure taking care of your healthcare needs, and we look forward to serving you even better in the future as we continue to improve and grow.

Sincerely,

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