

Dear Patient:

Happy summer. First, we want to thank you for letting us take care of your medical needs. Nothing is more important to us than earning the trust you've shown in our team. We want to pass along a few updates and reminders:

- We opened another office in the Northwestern Hospital complex in Chicago at 676 North St. Clair Street, Suite 1717. Dr. Katz is an attending physician at both Northwestern and Rush. You can schedule appointments at either location through our main office (312-226-8228).
- Rheumatology Associates is preparing research data for this year's American College of Rheumatology meeting, scheduled for November in Washington, DC. Dr. Katz sent 34 scientific papers for presentation at the meeting. This research is vital for furthering knowledge of rheumatic diseases, and thanks to those of you who helped with these research efforts.
- We continue to conduct research on new medications for lupus and rheumatoid arthritis. As you may know, Rheumatology Associates has tested many medications that have ultimately been approved by the FDA—and dramatically changed the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis and lupus.
- Dr. Katz writes a column/blog for the Lupus Foundation website. He remains a member of the Board of Directors of the Lupus Foundation and the Lupus Research Institute. To keep up to date on all the happenings at Rheumatology Associates, please visit our website at drrobertkatz.com.
- The insurance and health-care industry are poised for change, especially under the Affordable Care Act. Navigating those changes can be a headache, but we are committed to working through such issues and getting you the care you deserve. Remember, Rheumatology Associates accepts all PPO insurance plans and will help any patient who is out of network. For any insurance questions, ask Alice or Geri.

We send our very best wishes for good health and happiness,

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