



STUART W. HOUGH, M.D.

RAMANI PERUVEMBA, M.D.

15200 Shady Grove Road  
Suite 302  
Rockville, MD 20850  
May 6, 2020

To the Maryland Department of Health:

This is to certify that effective May 7, 2020, Pain Management Specialists and Comprehensive Pain Management Center, a licensed ambulatory surgery center, will resume elective, non-urgent appointments and procedures as follows:

- Patients will be screened for exposure to and symptoms of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) by telephone prior to the appointment. Those with symptoms of or exposure to COVID-19 within the last 2 weeks will not be permitted in our facility without a recent negative PCR test for the SARS-CoV-2 virus.
- Patients will have a temperature check prior to entering the office/facility.
- Our doctors and staff will be similarly screened prior to each workday.
- Only one patient will be permitted in the office or surgery center at a time.
- Non-patient visitors will not enter the office/surgery center where possible.
- Social distancing of at least 6 feet will be strictly maintained and means of indirect communication (telephone, secure messaging, etc.) will be used where possible.
- Patients will bypass the waiting room and be taken directly to the exam/procedure room. They will not be allowed to move about the office/facility.
- PPE: All patients and staff must wear a mouth/nose covering mask. We have and will ensure sufficient supplies to provide a mask to every patient and staff member for at least two weeks. Providers performing procedures will wear a mask, face shield or goggles and sterile gloves, as is our usual practice.
- Only non-aerosol-generating procedures will be performed, and no general anesthetics will be given, as is our usual practice.
- Infection-control measures will be in accordance with current CDC guidelines.
- Exam and procedure rooms will be sanitized between patients with a viricidal disinfectant in accordance with the product label and allowed to remain empty for at least 40 minutes between appointments.

Respectfully,

Stuart W. Hough, M.D.

Medical Director, Comprehensive Pain Management Center, Ltd.