



December 13, 2016

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Dear [REDACTED]

You are receiving this letter because you have been identified as possibly having a dental procedure performed by Drs. Sulzbach, Jana or Eric Osmolinski at the Center for Family and Specialty Dentistry, located at 2642 Bernville Road, Reading, PA 17603.

In October 2016, the Pennsylvania Department of Health (Department) received a complaint about lapses in infection control practices at the Center for Family and Specialty Dentistry in Reading, PA. While investigating the complaint, the Department determined that patients may have been exposed to dental instruments that may have not been adequately disinfected.

While the overall risk of exposure may not be high, the Department cannot state the level of infection risk with certainty. Therefore, as a precaution, **we are recommending that you contact your primary care provider and discuss testing for hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).** The purpose of testing would be to find out if you have hepatitis B, hepatitis C, or HIV infection so you may obtain counseling, treatment, or both.

A positive test for hepatitis B, hepatitis C or HIV in a patient seen at this practice does not automatically mean that the patient got the infection from this practice. It may be impossible to determine where or how a single patient became infected. However, you are strongly encouraged to get tested for hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and HIV.

To discuss any questions regarding this matter, please call the Department of Health at 1-877-PA-HEALTH or 1-877-724-3258 between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sharon', written in a cursive style.

Sharon Watkins, PhD
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