



Dear Patient:

This letter is to inform you of an upcoming change within our practice. Dr. Larry Koenig and Dr. Sadie Ahanchi will be leaving Virginia Interventional and Vascular Associates effective January 31, 2025. Dr. Koenig and Dr. Ahanchi have been integral members of our vascular surgery team providing compassionate care and dedication to our patients. While we will miss their presence, we wish them well in their future endeavors.

Only if you were treated for the conditions below do we recommend you speak with your Primary Care Physician or health insurance carrier to find an alternative option to manage these conditions. Otherwise, your care remains with VIVA and our physicians will continue providing compassionate care for your vascular or interventional needs.

**Conditions:** Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm and/or Carotid Stenosis

We want to assure you that your continuity of care remains our top priority. To facilitate a smooth transition, we have taken the following steps.

1. **Continuity of Care:** Your medical records will remain securely stored by our practice. If you wish to continue your care with another provider within our practice, we would be happy to assist you in scheduling an appointment with another vascular surgeon at our facility.
2. **Transfer of Care:** If you prefer to transfer your care to another healthcare provider outside of our practice, we will work to ensure a seamless transfer of your medical records. Please let us know if you would like assistance in selecting a new provider.
3. **Medical Records:** All medical records are confidential and protected by federal privacy and security regulations. With your authorization, a copy of your medical record can be released to you or transferred to another physician. Please contact our office, and we will be happy to assist you with this process. Please note that there may be a fee for record duplication.

If you have any questions about this transition, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office at **(540) 654-9118**. We are here to support you during this time of change and ensure that your healthcare needs are met.

We appreciate your understanding and continued trust in our practice. Assisting with your health care needs has been a privilege, and we look forward to continuing to care for you in the future.

Sincerely,

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VIVA Medical Director