LETTER OF AGREEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF 17 ALPHA HYDROXYPROGESTERONE CAPROATE (17P) BY WAKE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DURING A MATERNAL HEALTH SKILLED NURSE HOME VISIT

Your Medical Provider at WakeMed Faculty Physicians has requested that the nurse from Wake County Human Services give you the 17 Progesterone injection during a home visit. This will keep you from having to come to the clinic every week for this injection. This does not take the place of your regularly scheduled visits with you health care provider. The nurse can only give the injection between your regularly scheduled prenatal clinic visit.

The Wake County Human Services Home Visiting Nurses can only provide this service with your cooperation. Before we begin this service we are asking you to agree to the following.

1. The nurse will call you to set up a date and time for this injection. The injection must be given every 5-9 days. If you are not at home for your scheduled appointment, the nurse will have to throw the medication away. If this happens two (2) times the nurse will notify WakeMed Faculty Physicians High Risk OB Clinic that we can no longer provide this service for you.

2. You can reach your nurse on her cell phone or she will give you her office phone number. If you need to change the date or time for your injection, you will need to call her the day before your scheduled appointment. Once she has drawn up the medication for you it cannot be used for another patient and again must be wasted.

3. The nurse is required to talk to you and discuss the signs and symptoms of preterm labor. The nurse will also complete, sign and date a card that the injection has been given. You must take this card with you back and forth to the high risk clinic so they will know that you have been receiving the shots and where the last injection was given. Because you are receiving these shots every week, this is the quickest way to get the information back and forth between the nurse and the clinic.

4. If you are hospitalized for any reason, please call your nurse and let her know. You will be given the injection in the hospital and the hospital or clinic will tell the nurses when to give the next injection.

5. It is important for you to know that the medication you are receiving has not been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to treat preterm labor. However, it has been used for many years for this purpose and is currently the best treatment available. It is expected that the FDA will approve 17P for this use in the very near future.

Pt's signature        Date

Nurse’s Signature     Date

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