

## **NOTICE TO PATIENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS OLD**

For your safety, and as required by Delaware Law\* as of July 1, 2011, the following rules will be observed by this office:

- Except when it is a part of rendering care during an emergency, if your examination by the physician requires the removal of your clothes, completely or partially, or it involves the breasts, genitalia or rectum, there must be a chaperone in the room with you. The chaperone may be:
  - ✓ Your parent or parents
  - ✓ Your guardian or other caretaker
  - ✓ An adult member of our staff (if at all possible, this person will be of the same sex as you.)
- If you prefer not to have a third person in the room AND if your parent, guardian or caretaker consents, you may be examined with no one else in the room.
- If you wish, you may request a private consultation with the physician following the physical examination.

*\* See Delaware Code, Title 24, § 1769B*