MADISON COUNTY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

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Standard of Care Policy

Our medical staff follows a standard of care to ensure safe, effective treatment for patients with chronic or ongoing medical conditions. To maintain the highest quality of care, patients are expected to attend routine office visits at the intervals listed below. These guidelines are designed to monitor health status, adjust treatment as needed, and provide ongoing support for long-term conditions.

The following visit schedules apply to patients who are stable and being managed for these conditions (additional visits may be required for changes in medication or unstable conditions):

ADHD	every 6 months
Routine child physicals	follow guidelines up to age 2, then annually after age 2
Chronic Anticoagulation	every 6 months (even if seen in Coumadin clinic)
Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)	every 6 months
COPD	every 6 months
Depressive Disorder	every 6 months
Diabetes	every 3 months
GERD (acid reflux)	every 6 months
Hyperlipidemia (high cholesterol)	every 6 months
Hypertension (high blood pressure)	every 6 months
Hypothyroidism	Yearly
Well Adult Checkups	Yearly

Compliance with these visit schedules is required as part of ongoing care. Regular follow-up allows your healthcare provider to monitor your condition, manage medications safely, and detect issues early to prevent complications. Failure to follow these guidelines places patients out of compliance with their care plan.

We value our relationship with you and are committed to your health. By adhering to this policy, you help us provide timely and efficient care for all our patients. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.