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## Dear Families.

At Woburn and North Andover Pediatrics, we take great pride in working together with you to provide the best care for your child. Our mission is to partner with families to guide, educate, and support you through the various stages of your child's growth and development. We understand that there are many ways to approach parenting, and we are committed to providing care that respects your family's values. However, we also recognize that there may be times when differences arise, particularly in areas like vaccinations.

Our providers strongly believe that vaccines are crucial in preventing serious and potentially life-threatening diseases. Not only do vaccines protect the children who receive them, but they also help protect those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons, such as infants too young to be vaccinated or children with compromised immune systems. By ensuring that our patients are vaccinated, we are taking steps to protect the most vulnerable members of our community, including other patients and staff in our practice.

Though we deeply respect your right to make informed decisions for your child, we want to be transparent about our stance on this important issue. If your family's vaccination philosophy does not align with the guidelines recommended by our providers, we will respectfully ask you to seek care with another provider outside of our practice. This decision is not made lightly; our primary goal is to protect the health and safety of all children in our care, as well as our staff and the broader community.

We are always happy to discuss any concerns you have and will work with you as much as possible to find a solution that works for your family. Our focus is on fostering a healthy, safe environment where children can thrive, and we hope to continue working together to ensure your child's well-being.

Thank you for your understanding and trust in our practice.