Information for Referring Health-Care Providers

Your patient has expressed interest in participating in the Undiagnosed Diseases Network (UDN). Patient participants seen within the UDN will be evaluated using a unique combination of scientific and medical expertise and resources of the UDN. In order to participate in this network, individuals must have a condition that has not been diagnosed following a thorough medical evaluation.

There is a stringent referral and review process for the UDN. If your patient’s case is accepted for a UDN evaluation, one of the UDN clinical sites will provide information about the evaluation to you and your patient. You will be responsible for your patient’s follow-up medical care.

The following information is needed from you to determine your patient’s eligibility:

1. Verification that your patient has a primary health-care provider who will provide ongoing consultation to the UDN team and appropriate follow-up care for him/her if accepted into the UDN clinical research protocol.
2. Your contact information, including mailing address, phone number, email address, and fax number.
3. A summary letter describing your patient’s pertinent medical information including:
   a. A summary of your patient’s medical condition;
   b. When the undiagnosed condition was first noted;
   c. Previous diagnoses;
   d. History of evaluations and testing;
   e. History of treatments and medications;
   f. Current medications;
   g. Family history;
   h. Your diagnostic impressions.
   i. For pediatric patients, please also include prenatal and birth history.
4. Copies of reports and results of pertinent diagnostic tests, along with X-rays, MRI results, and other imaging records/studies.

The UDN clinical site assigned to your patient’s case will contact your patient with information about how best to send records.

More information about the UDN can be found at http://udnconnect.org.

Thank you for this opportunity to evaluate your patient. We appreciate your commitment to providing the best possible care for your patients in ways that help advance medical knowledge and discovery.