TELEDERMATOLOGY SUMMARY

- Most patients with skin problems can be evaluated by a dermatologist through Teledermatology.
- Teledermatology provides you with an expedited evaluation of your skin problems from experienced and board-certified dermatologists at University of California Davis.
- Most of the time, teledermatology allows your skin problems to be evaluated without leaving your community.
- Please ask your primary care provider about how you can take advantage of this available service!
- Copayment and/or any deductibles may apply.
- If you have had a teledermatology visit and have questions regarding your visit, please call (916) 734-0917 or email: telederm@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu.

Providing quality care and protecting confidentiality of your medical history and medical photography are our top priorities. We will never share any medical information with any party without your explicit consent. We strictly comply with all Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) regulations.
WHAT IS TELEDERMATOLOGY?

Teledermatology is the use of communication technology to connect patients with dermatologists to improve skin health.

WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF TELEDERMATOLOGY?

- **Quicker Evaluation:** Traditionally, patients with dermatology referrals wait several weeks or months to have their skin problems evaluated by a dermatologist.

- Through the use of medical photography, a dermatologist will evaluate your skin problem usually within a week.

- **Familiarity:** For common skin problems, UC Davis dermatologists will provide their recommendations directly to your regular local primary care provider, who will then follow up individually with you. This way, you will interact with someone who is already familiar with your health history and personal preferences.

- **Convenience:** In most cases, you benefit from expert advice of a dermatologist without having to leave your community. You save time and cost by not having to travel to a dermatologist’s office for the initial evaluation.

- In some instances, the dermatologist may wish to perform additional evaluations in person. You may receive an expedited appointment to see a dermatologist in-person.

WHAT HAPPENS DURING A TELEDERMATOLOGY VISIT?

A teledermatology coordinator will record your clinical history and ask you specific questions about your skin concern.

The teledermatology coordinator will take digital photographs of your skin.

Your clinical history and digital images will be securely transmitted to a dermatologist for evaluation.

Experienced, board-certified dermatologists will carefully review your clinical information and digital images and provide their assessment and recommendations.

If your skin problem can be managed by your primary care provider, the dermatologist communicates with your primary care provider.

You will receive the recommendations from your primary care provider.

If your skin problem requires additional evaluation, the dermatology office will contact you for an appointment.