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Dear Physician:

An investigation by the Halton Region Health Department has identified that clients who have received services at the Ontario Institute of Facial Surgery operated by Dr. Joseph Korkis, located at Suite 405 – 672 Brant St, in Burlington, may have been exposed to improperly cleaned instruments used for procedures.

As a precaution, the Halton Region Health Department is recommending that you consider testing any person who received any services at this location for hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). If the client received services at this clinic within the last 3 to 6 months and tests negative for all 3 viruses, the client needs to have repeat testing at least 4 to 6 weeks after the initial testing to ensure they are tested outside the incubation period for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV.

The following tests are recommended:

- Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg)
- Hepatitis B core total antibody (HBcAb Total (IgG +IgM))
- Hepatitis C screen
- HIV screen

For more information please contact the Health Department at (905) 825-6000 or 311.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joanna Oda,
Associate Medical Officer of Health