

## PREVENTATIVE/ANNUAL WELL WOMAN VISIT

A preventative visit or annual well woman visit is a review of your personal medical history to gather medical information and assess your risk factors for developing certain medical conditions. A preventative visit includes a review of your personal history, physical exam, blood pressure, body mass index, preventative screening and counseling. A physical exam may include such things as checking your heart, lungs, breast, pelvic exam, Pap smear, or any other age appropriate exams. Your doctor will also make sure your immunizations, Mammograms, Colonoscopies, Bone Density and other age appropriate exams are up to date.

To summarize, this is a visit to identify silent illness that could cause future disease.

### **A preventative/Annual Well Woman Visit is not...**

This visit is not meant to address an acute medical problem that is happening right now or ongoing chronic issue.

For example, if you come for your yearly preventative visit and you advise your doctor that you're experiencing any of the following:

- Pelvic Pain
- UTI
- Abnormal Bleeding
- Vaginal Infection
- Removal of Wart or Cyst

We will do our best to address and help resolve those issues at your appointment. If the provider addresses both your preventative visit and acute/chronic problem on the same visit, both of those visits will be billed to your insurance. This is important to know because regular co-pays and insurance deductibles may apply to a portion of your visit.

We would like to thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation in making your care at Winchester OB/GYN as efficient and timely as possible.

If you have any questions, our billing representatives will be happy to assist you (978) 977-9118.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_