**Join [Hospital] for Dare to C.A.R.E. [Educational Program] on [date]**

Dear [Referring physician] –

You are invited to join us at [Hospital] for a [educational program] at the Dare to C.A.R.E. clinic on [date] at [time] at [location]. Dare to C.A.R.E. is a national vascular screening and disease management program that has already been implemented in select hospitals across the country. We are thrilled to join the Dare to C.A.R.E. network and we hope you can join us to learn more about the program and how we can work together.

The event features guest speaker(s) [name and description] and [name and description].

The Dare to C.A.R.E. program works with physicians to identify patients at risk for vascular disease. Patients do not need a referral, but must meet the following criteria:

* Over age 60
* Over age 50 with certain risk factors, such as obesity, smoking and a family history of stroke
* Over age 40 with diabetes

Through the Dare to C.A.R.E program, [hospital] offers ongoing complimentary vascular disease screenings for local area patients. As a valued healthcare provider in our community, we hope to see you at [event] so that you can learn more about Dare to C.A.R.E. and how it will benefit you, your practice and your patients.

Please RSVP by [date] to [contact] at [email address] or [phone number].

Sincerely,

[Hospital]

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**Dare to C.A.R.E.** screens for vascular abnormalities that cause the following diseases:

**Carotid Artery Disease**

Responsible for more than half of the strokes that occur each year in the U.S.[[1]](#footnote-1)

**Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm**

The third leading cause of sudden death in men over age 60[[2]](#footnote-2)

**Renal Artery Stenosis**

May be entirely asymptomatic and in severe cases, can lead to kidney failure

**Extremity Artery Disease/Peripheral Arterial Disease**

Affects one in 20 people over the age of 50 and can lead to limb loss [[3]](#footnote-3)

**[Educational Program] for [community] at [Hospital] Dare to C.A.R.E. on [date]**

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[Hospital] will hold a [educational program] at the Dare to C.A.R.E. clinic on [date] at [time] at [location], and we would love to have your patients join us for the event. Dare to C.A.R.E. is a national vascular screening and disease management program that has already been implemented in select hospitals across the country. We are thrilled to join the Dare to C.A.R.E. network and we hope you can join us to learn more about the program and how we can work together. The event features guest speaker(s) [name and description] and [name and description].

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[Hospital]

1. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. “What Is Carotid Artery Disease?” <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/health-topics/topics/catd/> National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. Accessed September 22, 2014. Reviewed November 01, 2010. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
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3. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. “Facts About Peripheral Arterial Disease (P.A.D.)” National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute. Accessed September 22, 2014. Reviewed August 2006 [↑](#footnote-ref-3)