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To reduce the risk to the patient of this limitation, CUMC and WCMC strongly encourage patients to discuss second opinions with their personal or primary care physician(s). By deciding to engage this service, you acknowledge that you are aware of this limitation and agree to solely assume the risk of this limitation.

By requesting a remote second opinion, you acknowledge and agree that:

- the opinion that you will receive is limited and provisional, and for informational purposes only;
- the second opinion is a remote consultation not intended to replace a full medical evaluation or a face-to-face visit with a physician;
- the physician does not have important information that is usually obtained through a hands-on physical examination; and
- the absence of a hands-on examination may affect the physician's ability to fully provide information regarding your condition, disease, or injury.

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