

Dear Dr.

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am a \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.  
Our practice has been specializing in Contact Dermatitis diagnosis and Patch Testing for \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
Allergic Contact Dermatitis (ACD) is a serious condition which can negatively affect a patient's health, personal, and professional life. Proper allergen diagnosis and avoidance are essential for patients suffering from ACD.

ACD can be caused by a number of allergies found in both the home and work environment. Since ACD is a result of sensitization to a specific allergen, a patient can develop an allergy to a substance and product which they have used for years. As a result, a detailed patient history as well as patch testing is the only way to determine a definitive allergen diagnosis.

Since there are a wide range of causes of ACD, as well as a number of differential diagnoses, patch testing can be useful tool in diagnosing skin dermatitis. If you have a patient with repeat, undiagnosed skin dermatitis, or you have a patient who does not receive a resolution with topical treatments within a reasonable time, patch testing is a probable next step.

If a specific allergen diagnosis is made, we can work with the patient to determine a proper and realistic avoidance strategy leading to a full and satisfying life without the negative consequences of undiagnosed ACD.

When you have a need for a dermatology referral, my dedicated staff and I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to partner with you and your practice to provide your patients with the contact dermatitis diagnosis they deserve.

Kind Regards,