

## For More Information

If you or someone you know are interested in participating in one of our clinical trials please contact us at:

**301.942.6610**

Our research staff will be happy to discuss our current trials and help determine if you meet the eligibility criteria for any of our studies.

You can learn more about The Center for Rheumatology and Bone Research on our website at [www.washingtonbone.com](http://www.washingtonbone.com).

## Location

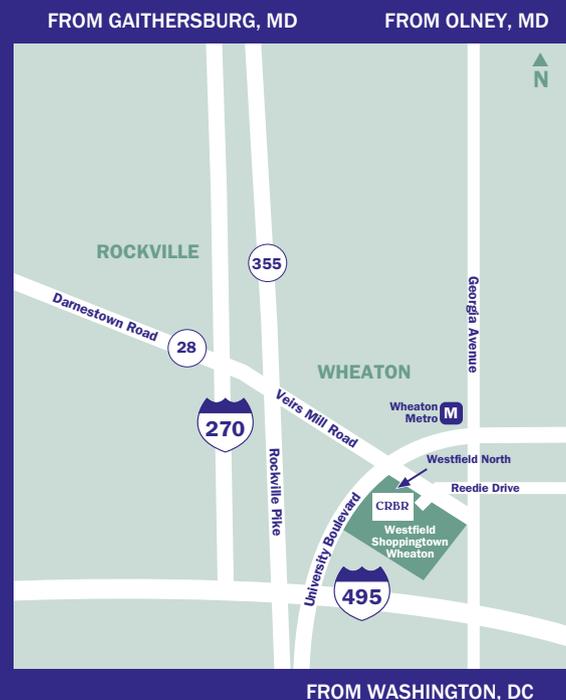
The Center is located on the campus of Westfield Shoppingtown Wheaton (formerly Wheaton Plaza) on University Boulevard near the corner of Veirs Mill Road. Convenient free parking surrounds the Westfield North office building. You will find a general location map on the back of this brochure.

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is a Division of Arthritis and Rheumatism Associates, P.C.*

## THE CENTER FOR RHEUMATOLOGY AND BONE RESEARCH OFFICE LOCATION:



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*Clinical  
Trials in  
Arthritis,  
Osteoporosis  
and Internal  
Medicine*

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## Overview

The Center for Rheumatology and Bone Research is a division of Arthritis and Rheumatism Associates, P.C., a rheumatology practice that has served the Washington, DC, area for more than 30 years. The Center was developed to give patients access to the most recent therapies for the treatment of rheumatic diseases through participation in clinical trials. We began conducting clinical trials in 1982 and have since participated in the evaluation of new agents for rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, psoriatic arthritis, osteoporosis, Sjögren's syndrome, fibromyalgia, tendonitis, gout and ankylosing spondylitis. We remain committed to the evaluation of new beneficial therapies for all of the rheumatic diseases.

## Facilities

Our research center is located in Wheaton, Maryland in the Westfield North building, on the grounds of Westfield Shoppingtown Wheaton. The Center is easily accessible by car, bus or Metro.

Our rheumatology practice handles 50,000 patient visits annually in four locations. We see patients from a wide geographic area that spans from Baltimore, Maryland, to Fredericksburg, Virginia, and from Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, to Salisbury, Maryland. Our full-service practice includes a CLIA certified central lab, x-ray services, infusion, osteoporosis and rehabilitation centers in our four Arthritis and Rheumatism Associates, PC, locations.

## Our Physicians

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All of our physicians are board certified in Internal Medicine and Rheumatology. They have active teaching affiliations with The George Washington University, Georgetown University, Johns Hopkins and the University of Maryland Schools of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health. They provide service to many organizations including The American College of Rheumatology, the American College of Physicians and the Association of Clinical Research Professionals. They actively serve on committees, hold offices and have been honored by numerous professional organizations and institutions.

## Clinical Trials

Clinical trials are research studies performed to test the safety and effectiveness of medications and devices. Before entry into a study, participants are given a thorough explanation of the study including the benefits, risks and alternative treatments available. Enrollment is voluntary and participants can choose to withdraw at any time. While participating, the study-related exams and medications are free of charge.

## Why participate?

Clinical trials are the engine of medical progress. There is great need for people to take part in clinical trials because that is how researchers learn more about diseases and develop better treatments.

Participants volunteer for a variety of reasons. They may be looking for a treatment solution that is superior to their current conventional therapy. They may want to learn more about their own health or take a more active role in their own healthcare. They may not have health insurance and would receive investigational drugs, associated visits, x-rays, and labs free of charge. Or, they may want to help in the search for better health for people in the future.

Our trials enable patients and community members to gain access to drug treatments not routinely available elsewhere.

## Informed Consent

Before joining a clinical trial, participants go through something called the "informed consent process." This process ensures that as potential study participants they are given written information about the purpose of the study, the risks and benefits of being in the study and what may be expected to occur during the course of the study. Once participants have carefully read these documents, they are encouraged to ask questions about words or procedures that they don't understand.

## Withdrawal from a Trial

Involvement in a clinical trial is voluntary. Participants may change their mind and leave a study at any time.