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Dear Healthcare Provider:

We are very pleased to announce our multicenter and multidisciplinary, non-surgical **RESEARCH STUDY**, which will look at the effectiveness of physical therapy vs epidural (transforaminal) corticosteroid injections in the treatment of acute and subacute lumbar disc herniation with radiculopathy. We are **asking for your support** in this endeavor.

This **study includes anyone with a disc herniation at L4-5 or L5-S1, with radiculopathy** (predominantly L5 or S1 signs or symptoms), that is **8 weeks of age or less**. Please refer these potential patients / study subjects as soon as possible (before entering active physical therapy or injection care) for consent, initial MD, PT and outcome questionnaire evaluations, and randomization to either the PT or TFESI groups.

There are multiple participating investigators, and PT and injection facilities, in the greater Denver area in order to make this study as convenient as possible for your patients. Subjects will be paid for their participation. **We will have patients return to their primary treating practitioners or surgeons if additional medical care or surgery is required.**

Additional information, including inclusion/exclusion criteria, educational videos, etc. for study subjects or healthcare professionals can be found at **[www.denverspine.com](http://www.denverspine.com) or by calling DenverSpine at 303-783-1300.**

Thank you for your support of our research study.

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