

# THE ROCKEFELLER UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

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To:

From: The Rockefeller University Hospital

We write to provide you with an update regarding Dr. Reginald Archibald.

Earlier this fall, we reached out to as many former patients of Dr. Archibald as we could locate and asked them to share their experiences with Debevoise & Plimpton, the external legal counsel retained to conduct a full investigation. In response to our outreach, the Debevoise investigators have heard reports of sexual misconduct by Dr. Archibald.

To those of you who have contacted the Debevoise investigators, we express our deep gratitude; we recognize that the decision to come forward is a difficult and personal one. We profoundly apologize to those patients who experienced pain and suffering as a result of Dr. Archibald's reprehensible conduct. We plan to share with you the investigation's conclusions, while protecting patient privacy, when the investigation is complete.

We are writing to reaffirm our commitment to provide support to Dr. Archibald's former patients for counseling services. We now announce the opening of the Rockefeller Hospital Therapy Fund as of November 13, 2018. The Therapy Fund is operated in partnership with RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network), a national nonprofit organization that provides hotline and other services to survivors of sexual assault. There is information about the Therapy Fund in the enclosed FAQs (also available on the Hospital's website at: <https://ra-information.rucare.org>).

To request financial assistance for therapy costs and help finding a therapist, if needed, please contact RAINN's dedicated hotline for the Rockefeller Hospital Therapy Fund at: 855-774-4690. Patient communications regarding the Therapy Fund will be kept confidential from Rockefeller.

## **Rockefeller Hospital Therapy Fund**

Rockefeller University Hospital is partnering with RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network), a national nonprofit organization that provides assistance for survivors of sexual assault, to support former patients of Dr. Reginald Archibald with ongoing therapy costs and to assist them in finding a therapist, if needed. Former patients of Dr. Archibald may call RAINN's dedicated hotline for the Rockefeller Hospital Therapy Fund at: 855-774-4690. The Therapy Fund hotline is available Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm ET, excluding federal holidays.

### **Therapy Fund FAQs**

#### **What types of therapies are covered by the Therapy Fund? Who decides what is covered?**

*RAINN has developed a list of approved therapies that are recommended by a licensed, qualified mental health professional. RAINN is available to provide information about its list through the Therapy Fund hotline.*

#### **What are the required qualifications for an approved mental health provider?**

*Approved providers must be licensed to practice in their state and hold a master's degree or higher in a mental health discipline.*

#### **What is the maximum amount of support available to patients?**

*The Therapy Fund will provide payment for weekly therapy sessions of up to one hour for approved former patients of Dr. Archibald. Unless otherwise specified, the Hospital will renew this commitment annually. Requests for additional treatment will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.*

#### **What is the approval process required to access resources from the Therapy Fund? How will requests for payment be approved?**

*RAINN will administer the intake process for all callers seeking support from the Therapy Fund. RAINN will then provide the caller's information to a third-party claims administrator who will connect with the caller to process the caller's request for payment. If the request is approved, the administrator will process timely payments.*

#### **How does this process keep me anonymous to Rockefeller Hospital?**

*Neither RAINN nor the claims administrator will provide the Hospital with any identifying information about callers or claims.*