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Dear Dr. Costa,

I am pleased to let you know that you were nominated for the Brian McGovern MD Clinical Excellence Award. Clinical excellence is at the heart of the MGH's reputation. We established this award to recognize the contributions of our physicians and honor Brian.

This year we had 185 nominations. A Review Committee will make the final selection(s). We will present the award at the MGPO Physician Recognition Dinner on May 20.

I would like to share excerpts of your nomination from Ivy Ku. "Dr. Costa is one of the most patient, enthusiastic and dedicated doctors I have ever met. He is totally committed to his patients, and goes the extra mile...Despite a grueling schedule of one patient after another, he remains energetic and positive and listens to each of his patients no matter what their concerns..."

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your outstanding work and dedication to your patients and colleagues.

Best wishes,

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