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## Notice of Practice Closure

Dear Patients:

As many of you are aware, I stopped seeing patients in June 2022. It is with mixed emotions, I wish to inform you that I will be retiring from the practice of medicine on July 31, 2023 due to illness. Please know that it has been a privilege and an honour serving as your physician.

### **Finding a New Doctor**

For continuity of care purposes, please start looking into finding a new family physician promptly with the following suggestions:

1. Ask family and friends if they can try to get you in with their doctor.
2. Call "Health Care Connect" at 1-800-445-1822 or register online at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/find-family-doctor-or-nurse-practitioner>
3. Contact **RSRS** (see below). They often are aware of physicians accepting new patients.

*If you have an urgent medical matter in the absence of a doctor, please proceed to the nearest emergency room*

### **Your Medical Record - IMPORTANT**

I am required by the College of Physicians & Surgeons to store all original patient records for a period before they can be destroyed. I have selected **RSRS\***, a physician-managed company to safely and securely store all patient records from the clinic and to assist you in **obtaining a certified copy for yourself and/or your new physician**. Requests for your records from a new physician's office can be faxed in to RSRS at 1-877-398-5932 or emailed to [info@rsrs.com](mailto:info@rsrs.com)

**Please obtain a certified copy of your personal medical history from RSRS.** It is a very important file for your continued care and should be accessible at all times, **especially during these times and in the absence of a new doctor**. I have included an infographic illustrating 10 reasons why the record is so important. While there is a fee for the copy/transfer of medical records, it is not prohibitive. Please do not delay in making arrangements by contacting RSRS today at:

**[www.recordsolutions.ca/DrAVelji](http://www.recordsolutions.ca/DrAVelji)**

**Tel: 1-888-563-3732 Ext. 1**

**Fax: 1-877-398-5932**

**Email: [info@rsrs.com](mailto:info@rsrs.com)**

**Thank you for entrusting me with your health care needs over the years. I will miss my patients and friends because I truly enjoyed practising medicine. I wish you and your family good health for the years to come.**

Sincerely,

Dr. Azim Velji

\*RSRS is a physician-managed medical records storage facility. They are fully compliant with the guidelines set by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario and the relevant privacy regulations.

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