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Update to Notice of Practice Closure

Dear Patients:

As many of you are aware, I have announced that I am closing my general practice as of **October 1, 2025**, as I will be relocating out of the province. It has been a privilege and an honour to have helped you with your medical needs over the years.

Finding a New Doctor

While I was unable to arrange for another physician to take over the practice and your care, I still want to support you in finding excellent ongoing care. To help with this, here are some suggestions below:

1. Virtual Care: The Maples App provides access to virtual care services.
2. Local Pharmacy Services: Your local pharmacy may offer various services. Please visit <https://pans.ns.ca> for more information
3. Call 8-1-1 to register on the seeking a new doctor list. They will contact you if a new physician is able to assume your care.
4. Visit <https://needafamilypractice.nshealth.ca> to register.
5. 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

I am required by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Nova Scotia 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 my practice, and to assist you in obtaining a certified and searchable copy for yourself and/or your new physician. *Your medical record does not automatically follow you when you leave a medical practice, unless you arrange for it.*

I encourage you to obtain a certified copy of your personal medical history. It is a very important resource for your continued care and it's important to have your record readily accessible at all times. I have included an infographic illustrating 10 reasons why getting your own record is so important.

Please contact RSRS at your first opportunity for help with next steps in your care and with your medical record following my closure. It's possible that they may contact you as well, to ensure that all of my active patients have been properly notified

www.recordsolutions.ca/DrCOsemwegie

Tel: 1-888-563-3732

Fax: 1-877-398-5932

Email: info@rsrs.com

(Please note: My office will not be facilitating record transfers. This will only be handled by RSRS. There is a fee for the copy/transfer of your medical record in accordance with guidelines, but the fee is not prohibitive.)

It has been a privilege and honour to serve as your family physician and be a part of your health care journey. I have deeply valued the trust you have placed in me. I wish you all the best as I move forward with this next chapter of my life.

Sincerely,

Dr. Chizoma Osemwegie

*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 Nova Scotia and the relevant privacy regulations.