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Notice of Practice Closure

Dear Patients:

It is with mixed emotions and after much consideration that I have decided to close my medical practice. **The last day I will be seeing patients is April 30th, 2020.** Making the decision to leave my practice has not been easy and leaving so many wonderful patients will be the most difficult part.

Finding a New Doctor

Fortunately, the Primary Care Network I belong to has sent me a list of physicians who are currently accepting patients. Please see the list on the attached pages or visit www.scpn.ca. To find a doctor outside of this network, I suggest the following to find a new doctor for yourself:

1. Ask family and friends to ask their doctors if they would take you in.
2. Primary Care Networks in Calgary can help. Visit www.calgaryareadocs.com
3. Contact HealthLink Alberta at 403-943-LINK (5465) or toll-free at 1-866-408-LINK (5465)
4. Check with the College of Physicians and Surgeons at www.cpsa.ca or toll free at 1-800-561-3899

In the event of a medical emergency, patients are instructed to go to the nearest hospital emergency room.

Your Medical Record

I am required by the College of Physicians & Surgeons to keep all original patient records for a period of time before they can be shredded. I've contracted with RSRS, a physician-managed company to safely and securely store all patient records from my practice. They've also been asked to assist you in **obtaining a certified copy for yourself and/or your new doctor.**

There is a fee for copying & transferring medical records as this is an uninsured service. I encourage all of my patients to arrange for the retrieval of your medical record. It is a very important file for your continued care and should be accessible at all times, even (and especially) in the absence of a new doctor. I've included an infographic illustrating 10 reasons why. Please do not delay in making arrangements by contacting RSRS today. Please proceed on the web to:

www.recordsolutions.ca/DrHardin

or call RSRS at

1-888-563-3732, Ext. 1

I will certainly miss my patients & friends because I truly enjoyed practicing medicine. I wish you all the best for the future and a healthy life.

Sincerely,

*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 Alberta and the relevant privacy regulations.

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