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NOTICE OF RETIREMENT

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Dear Patients:

It is with mixed emotions that I am writing to inform you that I will be retiring from family practice. My last day seeing patients will be **June 1st, 2018.**

Finding a New Doctor

Unfortunately, I have not been able to find anyone to take over my practice, therefore, It is important for you to begin seeking another healthcare professional to take over your care. Please visit the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Nova Scotia website, they provide a list of doctors accepting new patients. Their website is <https://cpsns.ns.ca/>. Also, consider using your personal network to find a physician. A family member or friend may be able to ask if his/her doctor is taking new patients. You may also find www.needafamilypractice.ca helpful in your search.

Your Medical Record

Your original medical record must be safely stored for a period of time before it can be shredded. I have arranged with RSRS, a physician-managed facility to safely store all records from my practice and assist you in obtaining a certified copy. Your medical record is very important for the future of your healthcare. I strongly urge you to obtain a copy as soon as possible, regardless if you find a doctor immediately, and whether you or your new doctor takes a copy. It is important that you can access this information whenever it's needed.

Please go online to
www.recordsolutions.ca/DrHutchison
or contact RSRS at
1-888-563-3732 Ext. 1

There is a fee for the transfer of medical records

Making the decision to leave my practice has not been easy, and leaving practice with so many wonderful patients will be the most difficult part. I have truly appreciated the opportunity to help manage your healthcare needs.

Thank you for the privilege of being a family doctor for all these years. I wish you and your family the best of health in the future.

Yours truly,

Mary Hutchison MD