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Dear Patients:

With mixed feelings, I am writing to inform you of my retirement as of August 31, 2019. This is not a decision that was reached easily but I think it's for the best. I have been in practice since 1971 and it has been an honour and a privilege to be your family doctor. Although my career as a physician has been extremely rewarding and satisfying, I am looking forward to having more time to travel, pursue personal interests and enjoy my family.

When the office closes, Dr. David Kirsh will be practicing full time at his clinic in Richmond Hill (at Bayview and Major Mackenzie Dr.). Patients of both Dr. G. Kirsh and Dr. D. Kirsh are invited to join his practice there if they wish. *This practice will be fully digital; therefore, you will need to arrange to have your record converted from paper to digital for Dr. D. Kirsh to provide care at the new location.* For those patients who are not able to travel the distance to the clinic or who would just prefer to remain in this area, we are including in this mailing a list of family doctors who are accepting new patients. Two of these doctors are practicing in our building. If you wish to see Dr. David Kirsh as your family doctor, please notify our office. If you would like to explore options with other doctors on the list, please call their office directly to set up an appointment.

Once the practice closes, all patient records of both Drs. D. and G. Kirsh will go into secure storage for a period of time, as per the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (CPSO) requirements. The medical record is a very important document for the continuity of your care and will not be available anywhere else. These records will be stored with RSRS, a physician-managed company. You will need to obtain a certified digital and searchable copy of your record for yourself, for Dr. David Kirsh (if you are transferring there) or for any other new physician.

**Regardless of your plans, please arrange for your complete medical record at:
1-888-563-3732 Ext. 1, or go online to www.recordsolutions.ca/DrKirsh.**

(Please note: The fee for digitizing / transferring your record is not covered by OHIP).

One of my biggest concerns about retiring was the worry of not knowing who would take care of all my patients. Now that we are able to offer a choice of doctors for you, I know that whether you choose to go with David or with someone else, you will be able to find a physician to care for and manage all of your medical needs. Over the years I have developed close and trusted relationships with so many patients and have been able to care for multiple generations in families. This is the reward of having practiced in the same location for so long. I will certainly miss the connection to my patients that I have enjoyed, and I wish you all a smooth transition to a new health care provider and the best of health for you and your family for the future.

Sincerely,

Gerald Kirsh M.D.

David Kirsh M.D.