

NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSURE

October 2018

Dear Patients:

I am writing to advise you that after 35 years, I will be closing my ***Family Practice Office*** effective December 20th, 2018.

FINDING A NEW DOCTOR:

There will not be another physician taking over my Medical Practice. Regretfully, my search to find a new physician has been unsuccessful. While I will still be available for appointments into December, I would recommend that you start to look for another Doctor to take over your care. Where possible, I suggest that you speak to family and friends and let them know you are looking for a new Doctor. It may be possible that their family physician is able to accept family members or others, into their Medical Practice.

Alternately, **Kamloops residents without a family doctor can now call HealthLink BC at 8-1-1 to be placed on a waitlist for a primary care provider.**

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** (Records Storage and Retrieval Services) to safely store all medical files from my office, and to assist you in obtaining a certified copy of your records. I recommend that you obtain a copy of your medical record, particularly if you do not find another Doctor right away.

****There is a fee for transfer of medical records. To inquire about these fees, please contact RSRS directly.**

You can contact RSRS by phone: **1-888-563-3732 Ext. 1**

Or Online: **www.recordsolutions.ca/DrNewmarch**

Making the decision to leave my practice has not been easy and leaving the practice with so many wonderful patients will be the most difficult part. Thank you for the privilege of being your family doctor for all these years. I wish you and your family the best of health for the future.

Yours Sincerely,

Bruce G. Newmarch, MD, CCFP (EM), Inc.