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Notice of Practice Closure

Dear Patients:

It is with mixed emotions that we are announcing the closing of our family practice. **Our last day of patient care is July 31, 2025.** It has been a privilege and an honour to have helped you with your medical needs over the years.

Finding a New Doctor

Although we have not found a physician to take over our practice, there are fortunately still a number of doctors in our area who are accepting new patients. We are keeping a list of those available physicians and ask that you call our office for that information if needed. As well, you can ask family and friends to see if their own doctors would be willing to accept you as a patient, or contact Family Doctor Finder at 204-786-7111 or on the web at: www.gov.mb.ca/health/familydoctorfinder. You can also contact **RSRS** (see below) as they often are aware of physicians accepting new patients. We encourage you to be proactive in your own healthcare management by maintaining your own copy of your medical record.

If you have an urgent medical matter in the absence of a doctor, please proceed to the nearest emergency room

Your Medical Record

We are required by the College of Physicians and Surgeons to store all original patient records for a period before they can be destroyed. *Your medical record does not automatically follow you when you leave a medical practice, unless you arrange for it.* We have selected RSRS, a physician-managed company, to safely and securely store all patient records from our practice, and to assist you in obtaining a certified and searchable copy for yourself and/or your new physician.

We encourage you to obtain a certified copy of your personal medical history. It is a very important file for your continued care and should be accessible at all times, *especially in the absence of a new doctor or if you move or change to another family physician.* We have included an infographic illustrating 10 reasons why getting your record is so valuable.

Please contact RSRS at your first opportunity for help with next steps in your care and your medical record following our closure. Our office will NOT be involved in the record transfer process. It is possible that RSRS may contact you as well, to ensure that all our active patients have been properly notified.

www.recordsolutions.ca/DrSharkeyDrEvans

Phone: 1-888-563-3732

Fax: 1-877-398-5932

Email: info@rsrs.com

(Please note: You can arrange for a copy of your medical record immediately, however unless it is an emergency, the actual delivery of your requested medical record will take place only after our practice closes. There is a fee for the copy/transfer of your medical record in accordance with guidelines.)

It has been a pleasure to serve as your family doctors over the past many years and we wish all of you the best with good health in the future.

Sincerely,

Dr. James Brian Sharkey & Dr. Michele Evans

*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 Manitoba and the relevant privacy regulations.