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NOTICE OF PRACTICE CLOSURE

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Dear Patients:

With much consideration, I have decided it is time to close our family practice. I have made the decision to retire. **The office will be closing effective January 30th, 2018.**

Finding a New Doctor

As you may know, there exists a shortage of family doctors in Ontario. *Health Care Connect* is a Ministry of Health initiative which helps Ontarians locate a new health care provider. To register for the Health Care Connect program, call 1-800-445-1822. When you go for tests or see a specialist, please give them the name of your new family doctor. As of **January 30th 2018**, we will no longer be responsible for any of your test results.

Medical Record (Important)

It is required that all original clinical records of patients are kept for a specified period before they can be shredded. We have contracted with **RSRS (Record Storage & Retrieval Services)***, a compliant medical records facility, to store the records from the practice and to transfer a certified copy of your file upon your instruction.

I strongly recommend that you obtain a copy of your personal medical history from RSRS.

This information is important for your continued care and may not be available to you or your next healthcare provider otherwise.

Please obtain a certified copy of your medical record at:

www.RecordSolutions.ca/DrStark

or contact

1-888-563-3732, Ext.1

(Please note that there is a fee for the copying and transferring of medical records.)

It has been a great pleasure being your physician and we wish you all the best in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Stark

* RSRS is a fully compliant, physician-managed medical records facility.