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Dear Patient,

It is with mixed emotions that I write to inform you of an important decision in my life. Being currently the longest practising full-time physician in Campbell River and after 36 years in family practice, I am taking the opportunity to retire. This has not been an easy choice, but after much reflection, I feel the time has come to step back and begin a new chapter.

Fortunately, I am pleased to be able to announce that Dr. Johannes Piek, an excellent and compassionate physician, will be taking over my practice starting **November 24, 2025**. I have complete confidence in Dr. Piek and trust that he will continue to provide the high level of care you've come to expect. He was trained in South Africa and has worked in Canada for more than a decade. Knowing that your health is in such capable hands has certainly made this transition much easier for me.

It has been a true privilege to serve as your physician over the years. I have not only had the honour of working with you professionally but also of getting to know many of you personally. Your trust and partnership in managing your health have meant more to me than words can express, and I will forever be grateful for the relationships we've built.

Please be assured that I will work closely with Dr. Piek and my staff to ensure a smooth and seamless transition of your care. Should you prefer to seek another healthcare provider, you are, of course, welcome to do so. However, Dr. Piek will be assuming responsibility for your care as of November 24, 2025. Our office staff is available to assist with any questions you might have or to facilitate the transfer of your medical records if you decide to move to another provider.

If you have any concerns or questions about this transition, please don't hesitate to reach out.

I will always cherish the connections and trust you've shared with me over the years. While I am retiring from active practice, I will carry the memories of these experiences with me for the rest of my life.

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your healthcare journey. I wish you all the best in the years to come.

Warm regards,

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