

## Dr. Kaetlen Wilson

150 Strickland Street | Lakefield, ON | K0L 2H0

## **Notice of Practice Closure**

Dear Patients,

I am writing to let you know that I will be closing my Family Practice, effective <u>June 28th, 2024</u>. I have been looking very hard for a replacement for the last two and a half years with no success. Although I am sad to leave family practice it is time for me to do so. I am looking forward to continuing to do MAID work and I will be involved in a project providing care to the Homeless population in Peterborough.

I recognize that this may be upsetting news for you. I am truly sorry that I have not been able to find a replacement, but sadly I am not surprised. The province of Ontario currently has 2.3 million people who do not have access to primary care, and less and less new graduates are choosing Family Practice. None of us, as patients or health care providers, think this is acceptable, and I urge you to lobby your MPP on this issue.

Between now and when the practice closes I am able to do phone or in person appointments, please specify at the time of booking which you prefer. If you only need medication renewals you may have your pharmacy fax us this request. There will be no charge for this service and I will put as many repeats on your prescriptions as is medically safe for me to do so.

## **Your Medical Record**

I am required by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario 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.* I have selected RSRS, a physician-managed company, to safely and securely store all patient records from my practice. RSRS will also assist you in obtaining a searchable copy of your medical file for yourself and/or your new healthcare provider.

I encourage you to obtain a 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. I have included an infographic illustrating 10 reasons why the record is so important. While there is a fee for the copy/transfer of medical records, it is not prohibitive. Please do not delay in making arrangements by contacting RSRS at:

www.recordsolutions.ca/DrKWilson Tel: 1-888-563-3732 Fax: 1-877-398-5932

Email: info@rsrs.com

It has been a pleasure to care for you and your family. I wish all of you the best with good health for the future.

Sincerely,

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\*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 Ontario and the relevant privacy regulations.



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After June 28th your options for primary care are as follows:

PFHT Health Clinic	<ul> <li>Provides in-person problem-specific care to people without a family doctor. Two locations: Peterborough &amp; Lakefield</li> </ul>	Call to book an appointment 705-651-4866 or visit www.peterboroughfht.com for details
Well Baby Clinic	<ul> <li>Providing babies aged 2-18 months without a family doctor with routine check-up care.</li> </ul>	Call to book an appointment 705-313-1603 or visit www.peterboroughfht.com for details
Health 811	<ul> <li>24/7 provincial service to speak with a registered nurse when needed. They can discuss any health concerns as well as direct you to local services.</li> </ul>	Call 8-1-1
PRHC Pediatric Outpatient Clinic (POP)	• Will see children 0-18 years.	Call 705-740-8055 to book an appointment
PRHC Women's Health Care Centre	<ul> <li>Providing women with birth control, pap smears, unplanned pregnancy support, sexual health and domestic violence services.</li> </ul>	Call 705-743-4132 to book an appointment
Peterborough Public Health	<ul> <li>Immunization Clinic, Call 705-743-1000 X331</li> <li>Sexual Health Clinic, Call 705-748-2021</li> </ul>	
Cancer Screening	<ul> <li>Mammogram, Ontario Breast Screening Program, Call 705-740-8166</li> <li>Pap Test can be booked at PFHT Health Clinic or PRHC Women's Health Clinic.</li> <li>Colon Cancer testing, call 8-1-1</li> </ul>	
East Region Virtual Care Clinic	<ul> <li>Nurse Practitioner-led virtual care clinic for people within Ontario East region who are experiencing an urgent medical condition.</li> </ul>	Call 1-888-684-1999 or visit www.virtualcareontario.ca
Jack Nathan Health	Provides virtual urgent care.	Call 705-408-1171
Good Doctors	<ul> <li>Virtual care provided at two locations, Sherbrooke St and Clonsilla Ave.</li> </ul>	Book online at www.gooddoctors.ca
Northcrest Pharmasave Medical Clinic	Virtual Care Clinic	Call 705-743-1004

Please note that none of the doctors in the Morton clinic, including Dr Munoz, are accepting new patients. Please do not call their offices to enquire.