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To my dear patients,

I would like you to know of my plan to retire from the practice of medicine at the end of this year.

This is a very bittersweet event in my life. I look forward to pursuing other interests in life, but I will miss all of you. Some of you I have known since I started practice in Colorado Springs in 1993, and others more recently. Regardless of the length of time, it has been my honor and privilege to be your doctor. Thank you for entrusting your care to me, for sharing your hopes and joys, your disappointments and sorrows. Thank you for allowing me to fulfill my dream of becoming a doctor, a dream I had since I was a teenager. Please accept my regret if I have fallen short in any way.

I'm excited that Dr. Abigail Brubaker will be joining Exceptional Care for Women next fall and will be able to provide care for my patients. While the timing of her arrival is not ideal, we feel it's important to get the right doctor who has the same high standards of medical care that we have at ECW along with a compassionate personality. Dr. Brubaker has a commitment to her current practice in Nebraska that precludes her moving to Colorado sooner. In the meantime, my current partners will be able to see you for OB care and gynecology problems, including follow up of abnormal Pap tests. Although routine gynecologic visits will need to wait till the fall with Dr. Brubaker, we will have a process in place for a nurse visit to refill prescriptions until that time Of course, you have the option to transfer care to another practice and may request your records from my office at any time.

At this point, I will continue to provide obstetric care to anyone due before December 22nd and gynecologic care until the end of the year. If you have a concern about a medical problem we have been following and need to review this before I leave, please call the office so we can make an appointment for you in the near future.

Please call my office if you have any questions or concerns.

Again, thank you for sharing a portion of your lives with me. I wish you the best.

Sincerely,

Diane F. Ryan, MD Pyon, MD