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Dear patients and your families,

It is with a heavy heart that I tell you that on May 31, 2020, after 34 years in private practice, I will be retiring. This is not a decision that I have come to easily, but after much contemplation, it is the right decision. Some of you I have only met recently while some of you I have known for over 30 years. You have been like an extended family to me and I have taken great pleasure in getting to know you. It has also been a great honor for me to have been able to help you strive for your goal of a better quality of life.

Given the unprecedented circumstances in our world today, I regret that I will not be able to talk to more of you in person before I close my door. I will miss the handshakes and the hugs due to the distance that the COVID-19 virus has put between us, but the feelings will be there, nonetheless.

I have the pleasure of informing you that I will be transferring my patient records to Dr. Philip Pasternak in his East Brunswick office. Dr. Pasternak is a Board Certified Allergist/Immunologist whose office is at 21 Brunswick Woods Drive. (Phone: 732-254-4000. Also, please visit his web site, [www.DrPasternakAllergy.com](http://www.DrPasternakAllergy.com) for more information.) He graduated from Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City. From there, he did his internship/residency in Pediatrics at the Albert Einstein/Montefiore Medical Center. In addition to being Board Certified in Allergy and Immunology, he is also Board Certified in Pediatrics.

Dr. Pasternak, coincidentally, completed his subspecialty Fellowship in Allergy and Immunology at the same institution where I trained: Long Island College Hospital in New York City - a program that is known for producing excellent clinical Allergists.

I trust that the atmosphere of individualized care that you came to expect in my office will be found at Dr. Pasternak's practice, should you choose to continue your care with him. Importantly, Dr. Pasternak will be, after I retire, the only independent Allergist in a solo practice in the East Brunswick area. Similar to my style of practice, he does not utilize physician's assistants or nurse practitioners. As a solo practitioner for my entire professional life, I believe that this is an important factor in setting the tone for personalized medicine, tailored to each patient's specific needs.

If you would like to obtain a copy of your chart, you may still do this at my office before June 18, 2020. Please give us a week's notice before you would like to pick them up. After July 1, 2020, a copy of your chart may be obtained from Dr. Pasternak's office, but you must notify them 1 month prior to wanting to pick it up, in order to allow time to retrieve your records and copy them for you.

Once again, it has been an honor to have served you for these last 34 years. With best wishes for good health and happiness for you all, I bid you a fond farewell.

Wishing you a life of health and happiness.

Donald N. Leibner, M.D.