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Do Small Things with Great Love - Mother Teresa

To my dear Patients and Families,

I am writing this letter to inform you of my decision to retire from solo practice and to close Pediatrics With A Mission as of 05/16/2023. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend to your child's medical needs after that time.

First, let me say that this has been a very difficult decision for me to make. Since we opened in October 2013, the last ten years have been the most rewarding years of practice for me. Taking care of your child/children has been such a life enriching experience. It has taught me to be a better doctor and truly, a better human being. Each and everyone of you means so much to me.

From sharing in the incredible joy of meeting your newborn for the first time, to seeing their first steps, to watching them start school, to graduating high school, it has been a sheer joy to witness all these key milestones. I feel I have shared in your lives, in a personal and profound way. I want to thank you for allowing and trusting me to partner with you on this journey of yours.

We have laughed together and we have cried together. There have been many good times and moments of joy and amazement. There have also been some very sad times- experiences that have made us cry and grow together, as we have had to handle life and its adversities. My biggest reward has been to partner with you, rain or shine. This is Medicine and this is Life.

Writing this letter to notify you of my decision is bittersweet. You have become such an integral part of my life. The relationships I have formed with you over the years are like those of family. Saying goodbye is so hard for me. Closing the practice tugs on my heart, as I feel a true responsibility to continue to be there for you, my patients.

In the last two years, I have had to sit back and reassess my life. As some of you may know, in July of 2021, I lost my dear and beloved Dad to Cancer. It has been a very tough experience to have seen his health decline in front of us and we, as a family, feel so helpless. We were incredibly close. He was our rock and he endured tremendous pain and suffering in his last few months of life. My Dad was always so proud of me for becoming a doctor and for starting Pediatrics With A Mission. If I have learnt anything from losing him, it is that Happiness is Key and Life is Short.

My work in Pediatrics is not done. I hope to become involved in charity work for children and to begin teaching upcoming graduates in the medical field. I also hope to have more time to spend with my Mother and growing children.

Your medical records are confidential. You can request a paper copy of your records by <u>emailing</u> a request to info@pedswithamission.com. There is a charge associated with providing you a copy of your child's records. The charge is \$25.00 for the first 20 pages and 50 cents/page thereafter. The expected timeline for transitioning the paper records is

two weeks. We can also transfer your records to a physician of your choosing, at no cost to you. If you need to obtain your child's medical records in the future and anytime after 5/16/2023 please also submit a request to info@pedswithamission.com.

I am providing a 30 day notice as required by the Texas Medical Board. You will need to choose another Pediatrician to be your child's provider soon. Below, I have provided you with the contact information of some excellent Pediatricians in the community.

Finally, I began Pediatrics With A Mission, with the inspiration of Mother Teresa and her quote, 'Do Small Things with Great Love'. This was our mission statement. I believe to the best of my ability - Mission Accomplished! I cherish the best memories ever, of being a part of your precious children's lives. Thank You from the bottom of my heart for that privilege.

Now on to New Missions...

Faithfully Yours, Punita Shah, MD.

Recommended Pediatricians

These three physicians are accepting new patients and use the same electronic medical record, Epic, that I have been using and so they will have access to your records upon your authorization.

Dr Muhammad Majeed North Dallas Children's Clinic 4500 Legacy Drive #100 Plano, TX 75024 Tel 972 312 1288 Medicaid and Private ndccplano@gmail.com	John R Porter, MD Pediatric and Adolescent Healthcare 1112 N Floyd Road, Ste 10 Richardson, TX 75080 Tel 972 235 6911 Private only	Health and Healing Pediatrics Locations in Plano, Mckinney and Frisco. Dr Uddin, Afroza, Hussain Tel 972 964 7773 Medicaid and Private info@healthandhealingpediat rics.com
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This physician below is accepting new patients too, she is not on epic. We can transfer your records to her.

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