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Dear patient,

Over 4 years ago we started Midwest Pediatric Specialists (MPS) with the intent to provide our patients with personal care in a more efficient manner than a hospital system dictates. However, we have not been able to acquire insurance contracts with reimbursement rates that keep up with the significant increase in our operating costs.

The financial stress forced our colleagues Dr. Midyett and Dr. Zarse to leave MPS last year. The loss of our contract to provide PICU services at the hospital in April also ended Dr. Peter's involvement at MPS. These physician departures have further increased our expense as there are fewer physicians covering the operating expenses. As such, we are forced to close MPS effective July 24<sup>th</sup>.

We have begun discussions with Children's Mercy and Overland Park Regional Medical Center to move our medical practice to either of those two hospitals as employed physicians. We expect to start working at one of these hospitals in early September.

If you have an appointment with either of us after July 24<sup>th</sup>, we intend to have our new employer/office contact you to schedule a new appointment at the new location in September. In the event you wish to transfer your care to another physician, please contact our office so that your records can be forwarded to the new physician as soon as possible.

We are honored that you provided us with the opportunity to care for you.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Page, MD & Laurie McCann, DO