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Dear Parent:

We are writing this letter to you with mixed emotions. We are sad to announce that Tucson Children's GI will be closing as a practice effective November 15, 2013. We will still be available to aid you in transition, refilling prescriptions and referring to other physicians, until December 15. We will be unable to continue to care for your child after that time. This has not been an easy decision for us as caring for our patients has been a great source of satisfaction and pleasure for the past several years. Dr. Pratt will be joining the staff of Lurie Children's Hospital in Chicago and Dr. Feerick will be joining the staff at the University of Arizona, Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology.

We are fortunate to have another group in town where children may be seen for their pediatric gastroenterology needs. This is through the specialty clinic at the University of Arizona, where Dr. Feerick is joining Drs. Ghishan, Hassan, and Har. To make an appointment for your child to be seen by this group of physicians call 520-694-9988. If your child is seen at CRS, this is another location option for you. Of course, you are free to seek care elsewhere if you wish, however the next closest Pediatric Gastroenterologists are in Phoenix.

The contents of your medical chart are confidential and can be transferred to another doctor only with your permission. If you require a copy of your child's medical chart for your own records or for continuation of care with another physician, please go to our website at www.tucsonchildrensgi.com to print out or e-mail our release of information form. The charts are currently being scanned into an electronic format and will be available on CD or USB jump drive. These records will be available December 1.

We have valued our relationship with you and your child more than I can express in words. We thank you for your years of loyalty and friendship. We extend our best wishes for you and your child's future health and happiness.

Sincerely,

Drs. Pratt and Feerick