



## FAMILY MEDICINE ASSOCIATES

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Dear Patients and Friends,

It is with bittersweet emotion that I write you this letter. Recently my wife and I have decided to move to Colorado. This represents a bold move for our family, and it gives us some great new opportunities. However, it means that I will be saying good-bye to my Family Medicine Associates friends, colleagues, and patients. My wife and I both realized that we were at a stage in our lives where we were ready to take an adventure. It was not an easy decision, but after much prayer we decided it was best for our family. I admit I am excited about my job opportunity in Colorado. In a few months I will be working in a clinic in the mountains that is high-tech, practices the full range of family medicine, and has a strong emphasis on urgent care. The people there seem to be top notch.

At the same time it saddens me to leave Family Medicine Associates. I have formed great friendships with people I have worked with, and I have enjoyed a strong partnership with two friends that I have known for several years. I admit that I have grown very close to the patients I have served while in Middleton. I know it is not easy having your health care transferred to another provider, but I am confident that the doctors, nurse practitioners, nurses, medical assistants, and administrative team in Middleton will continue to provide excellent care to you and your family.

I wanted to write this letter in part to explain my situation and assure my patients that you'll continue to receive great care from Family Medicine Associates. But the other part of the letter is for me to offer my sincerest thank you. It has been an honor to care for you. Many of you have shared intimate parts of your lives with me and trusted me to help you. I have learned much from you and will use it to better care for others. You have given me countless memories, and I humbly thank you for all the experiences.

I am sure more details will emerge over the next few weeks, but please be comforted knowing that Family Medicine Associates is committed to continue to care for you and your family.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. Burrer', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Phillip Burrer, MD