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TO: Patients of Baychoice Bariatric Center

FROM: Ken Hollis, MD and Beth Kramer, RN., MSN

RE: Closure of Practice

After much thought and discussion with my BayChoice team, I am sad to announce that BayChoice Bariatric Center will no longer be accepting new patients after February 5, 2018. We are closing our bariatric and surgical practice and are recommending Texas Laparoscopic Consultants, Terry Scarborough MD and Sherman Yu MD, as our preferred providers for our patients and their ongoing bariatric and surgical needs. We have known both of these surgeons for many years. Each is talented, well trained, highly skilled and extremely experienced. They have a solid longstanding reputation, and are respected and admired by their physician colleagues. Your BayChoice electronic medical records (EMR) will be safe with them.

While Beth and I encourage our patients to become part of the TLC family, we understand that this may not be a suitable option for some. For alternative recommendations, just ask one of us. Or, you may contact the Harris County Medical Society at (713) 524-4267 for a listing of other general and bariatric surgeons who practice in our area.

We anticipate being available in our office to see existing patients until Thursday March 8, 2018 to discuss any issues or concerns. One may submit requests for personal copies or transfer of records (to another surgeon) during this timeframe. If you are ok with seeing Dr. Scarborough and Dr Yu, TLC will automatically have your records. *There is no need to do anything except schedule an appointment at:*

*TLC (713-493-7700
1200 Binz Suite 950
Houston, Texas 77004
www.tlcsurgery.com*

Thereafter, I will be available via my cell phone at 832-385-5548 for urgent or important patient needs. I do ask that you text me first with your name & concern so that I may accept your incoming call. **Please do not leave voice mails.**

If it is an **EMERGENCY CALL 911 FIRST!** Always be mindful that special problems require specialized facilities. Whatever the crisis, be it bariatric, cardiac, traumatic, neurologic, etc, **always choose a hospital that is accredited in that specialty.**

It has been a pleasure serving our surgical patients and our communities all these years... nearly 34 years for me and 27 years for Beth. We are not retiring. We are both in good health and have many more years of productivity ahead.

We are immensely grateful for having had the privilege to be your chosen surgical practice.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Ken Hollis and Beth Kramer. The signature for Ken Hollis is on the left, and the signature for Beth Kramer is on the right.

Ken Hollis, MD & Beth Kramer, RN., MSN