



To my Dear Patients,

It has been an honor and a privilege to care for you and to be part of your lives over the past 25 years. The trust you have placed in me—often during some of the most meaningful and vulnerable moments of your lives—is something I will carry with me, with deep gratitude.

I am writing to let you know that I will be leaving the practice in the coming months to relocate to Canada. The timing of my move is dependent on the Canadian government, with an anticipated departure at the end of March, 2026. Until that time, I will continue seeing patients and accepting all insurance plans as I always have, with the same commitment and care.

For those who are currently pregnant, please know that we will work closely together to ensure a thoughtful and smooth transition of care to another obstetrician within the community, with your safety, comfort, and continuity of care as the highest priority.

For those who are in the surgical postoperative period, my partner, Dr. Fung Yee Chan, will continue your care to ensure a smooth, supported, and attentive recovery.

This next chapter will allow me to practice medicine in a setting that strongly supports evidence-based care and scientific integrity, while also creating a safe space for my own family. I am also looking forward to learning a new culture, serving communities with limited access to care, and learning from the cultures and traditions of First Nations communities in British Columbia. While change is never easy, I am deeply thankful for the relationships built here and for the trust you have placed in me over the years.

Thank you for allowing me to be part of your care. It has truly been a privilege and an honor to be your physician.

With sincere gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Secily Bason-Mitchell'.

Secily Bason-Mitchell, MD