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DENTISTRY FOR INFANTS, CHILDREN,
ADOLESCENTS AND INDIVIDUALS
WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
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Dear Families,

It is with deep emotion and gratitude that I share with you my decision to retire from the pediatric dental practice that has been a vital part of my life for more than four decades. I've been privileged to take care of generations of boys and girls, and it's difficult to imagine that anything could fill me with more joy than watching patients I've known since they were toddlers now accompanying their own children to the office!

Having started the practice in 1969, I have had the privilege of working with many of Baltimore's finest pediatric dentists. You will be in excellent hands with Dr. Douglas Clemens, owner of Cross Keys Pediatric Dentistry, and colleagues, many of whom you have met already. They will continue to provide the excellent care you have come to expect from this practice.

Looking back, there are so many accomplishments of which I am especially proud, and which, I hope, have contributed positively to the world of pediatric dentistry:

- Founding the national American Academy of Group Dental Practice.
- CHIMES of Maryland – providing care for their clients since 1973.
- Caring for medically challenged children.
- With colleagues, launching the first Cleft Lip and Palate clinic in Baltimore.
- Initiating dental operating room clinic at Sinai Hospital.
- Installing TVs in the ceilings of our offices – 35 years ago. (We were the first on the East Coast).

Perhaps my most vivid memories – those that I shall carry in my heart forever – are the sights and sounds from the Cross Keys Dental office:

- The joy of coming to work each day.
- Small patients “graduating” from terrified to happy – some becoming pediatric dentists!
- Caring for parents and their kids in the same office visit.
- The talent and warmth of a loyal staff, many of whom have been working at Cross Keys for more than 30 years. They're family, not employees.
- Children choosing toys from the giant strawberry.

As for the immediate future, I plan on working through January 2018, and thereafter, as needed.

I will be staying in Baltimore, remaining active in the community and indulging in all things involving the outdoors, art, travel, and athletics. My challenge will be to try and have half as much fun....Please know that you have contributed immeasurably to my life. My gratitude to you all is boundless. I wish you and your family good health and happiness. Thank you.

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