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Dear valued patients and families,

There have been significant changes in the healthcare system over the past several years. Please know through these changes, the providers and staff at Dunwoody Pediatrics continue to be committed to providing superior pediatric care for your children. We will continue to embrace the newest technology and practices to remain cutting edge in the outpatient setting. Likewise, significant changes in the practice of medicine in the inpatient (hospital) setting continue to occur.

With the changes in outpatient and inpatient medical care, each setting is increasingly requiring their own unique set of proficiencies. Recognition of the changes in the delivery of care and policies in the inpatient (hospital) setting have led to our decision to discontinue our traditional practice of seeing our newborns at Northside Hospital.

Effective March 1st 2018, we will no longer be seeing newborns in the hospital. We have contracted with the Northside Newborn Specialty team of physicians to see all Dunwoody Pediatrics newborns.

The Newborn Specialty team has been in place for many years and currently contracts with most of other pediatric practices in Atlanta, seeing their newborns as well. They have an excellent track record, are knowledgeable, and will provide warm and caring medical care for your newborn! The team is part of the Neonatology group at Northside whom we have partnered with for years to manage our patients in the Special Care Nurseries. They have contracts with all of our practices' insurance carriers and will have direct communication with your provider at Dunwoody Pediatrics just as is occurring when one of our newborns has been cared for in the Special Care Unit.

At discharge, you will be given hospital paperwork to bring to us at the first office visit to ensure a seamless transition to our office. We will continue to see our newborns two to three days after discharge unless instructed otherwise by the hospital service.

We appreciate your understanding in this transitional phase of national healthcare. Again, we are committed to providing the very best medical care for your child possible. If you have questions related to this matter, we encourage you to talk with your physician or contact our Clinical Nurse Manager, Vicki Dummett at VDummett@DunwoodyPediatrics.com.

Thank You,
Dunwoody Pediatrics