

Important News About Our Dental Practice

Dear [Patient's Name]

I'm so excited to share some big news with you. After a lot of thought and planning, I've decided to sell the practice to someone I deeply trust—Dr. Ryan Walton. This transition will happen in early January 2025, and I can't wait for you to meet Dr. Walton (check out the picture below)!



You will continue to see the same familiar faces at every visit, including the same dental team that you've trusted over the years.

Dr. Walton has been practicing dentistry for nearly 20 years, and I am confident he will be an excellent fit for our patients. He is not only highly skilled but also shares a deep commitment to family-based, patient-centered care. Dr. Walton's current practice in Akron is a multi-generational family practice that his grandfather-in-law started in 1971. He purchased the practice from his father-in-law in 2015, continuing the tradition of quality dental care that has been passed down through the generations. In many ways, Dr. Walton's story mirrors mine—having taken over a practice that was built by a family member. Just as

I took over this practice from my father, Dr. Walton is carrying on a legacy of personalized care, and I know he will do so with the same dedication and passion.

Dr. Walton's experience and philosophy are deeply rooted in the values of trust and long-term relationships with his patients. His gentle, compassionate approach has earned him a reputation as a trusted provider in the Akron area. Outside of dentistry, Dr. Walton is married to his college sweetheart, Danielle, and they reside in Canton with their three children—Lane, Graham, and Sloane. Dr. Walton is excited to get to know you and looks forward to building lasting relationships with each of you while continuing the tradition of excellent care here at the practice.

After the sale, I will be starting a new Sleep Dentistry practice (Dental Sleep Solutions of Northeast Ohio) next door to the Canton practice, focusing on helping patients with sleep apnea and other sleep-related issues. While I will miss seeing you here, I am excited about this new direction and look forward to continuing to serve my community in a different way.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us via phone, email or text. We are here to support you every step of the way and ensure your visits continue to be as comfortable and positive as always.

Thank you for being such an important part of our dental family. I deeply appreciate your trust in us, and I am excited for the future of our practice under Dr. Walton's leadership.

With warmest regards,
Dr. Ben Utterback