How do I avoid patient abandonment issues if I am closing or selling my practice?

If selling practice (recommended even if only to a nearby DC in town for meager money) then inform that Dr. ABC will be taking over the practice as of (date). I will be retiring. It has been my honor to serve you as you Chiropractor all these years.

If not selling practice...

I will be retiring on (date). It has been my honor to serve you as your Chiropractor all these years. There are three Chiropractors nearby that you may choose to go to after (retirement date). They are (names, addresses, phone numbers of 3 DCs nearby.)

The advantage is to sell to a local DC nearby even if only for a few thousand dollars because then you can take all your records to his/her office and drop them off and not have to store them for 7 years as required by law. Plus, you can make a few thousand or more if possible.

Must contact all patients.