

To my patients and friends,

I am pleased to share the news that after many years of being a part of the Greeley dental community, as of April 30, 2021, I will be transferring ownership of my practice to Dr. David Luker. I have been searching for the right person to take over your dental care and I have found that person in Dr. Luker.

When I started my search for the next owner of my practice, I already knew the type of doctor I was looking for. I didn't entertain any offers from corporate groups, and had a handful of offers. It was a long process, but when I met Dr. Luker, I knew I'd found the *right* person to take over your dental care. I have full confidence in Dr. Luker—in both his people skills, and clinical skills. He brings a breath of fresh air to our practice with a wonderful sense of humor, pride in his work, and a love for people!

Many of you have been through a few transitions with this practice, but our treatment philosophy and commitment to best patient care have never changed. Things will be no different when Dr. Luker is at the helm.

Our wonderful staff—LouAnn, Jessica, Michele, Crystal and Kylee—will be staying to assist Dr. Luker as they work together to move the practice forward. All of your dental records will stay with the practice, and Dr. Luker looks forward to meeting each of you at your next visit. Your support of him and continued patronage and referrals will be the ultimate compliment to all of us!

While I'll surely miss all of you and the rewarding work of dentistry, I look forward to having the time to travel with my husband and enjoy our wonderful children and nine grandchildren. In the coming weeks and months, I'm confident this change will be almost unnoticeable. You can be sure that Dr. Luker will care about you just as I have cared for you! I've loved working with each and every one of you, and know that I leave you in good hands with Dr. Luker and my wonderful loyal team.

Dr. Julie Kavanaugh



# MEET DR. LUKER

For the last several years, I could sense that there was a change coming for me. I loved my current practice, but I knew there was somewhere out there that matched my treatment philosophy and values, where I could thrive and show up to work every day with a smile on my face. When I walked through Dr. Kavanaugh's doors, I felt a sense of excitement that I'd found that place, and I am thrilled to take over for her in the coming weeks.

My grandpa was a dentist and I always wanted to follow in his footsteps. I remember in fourth grade everyone shared what they wanted to be when they grew up. There were lots of firemen, policemen and astronauts, but even then I remember sharing I was going to be a dentist. I love treating and working with patients, and can honestly say I love coming to work, and I love my job.

I graduated from the University of Southern California dental school as did my grandfather. Go Trojans! After graduation, I was honored to serve as a military dentist in the US Army. During my four years at Fort Bragg, I was able to hone my skills, get exposure to many advanced specialties, and work with some of the finest men and women. Both in the army and in dental school, I was privileged to work on many of my peers and colleagues and am proud to be "the dentist's dentist."

Over the course of my career, I've spent time in almost every type of dental office—small and large. Most recently, I was an owner in a large group practice with multiple partners here in Northern Colorado. I can tell you from experience that the way Dr. Kavanaugh has practiced, and how I will continue to practice, is the best way to provide dental care and I'm eager to continue the great work she's done!

I met my wife, Melissa, in college and we've been married for 12 years. We have five children (ages 9, 7, 5, 3, and 6 weeks!). They keep us busy but they're lots of fun! I grew up with seven brothers and sisters in Boise, Idaho. My wife is from Colorado, and we decided to return and call this great state home. We've lived in Northern Colorado for two years and look forward to many more in this wonderful place.

I enjoy hiking, biking, skiing, and doing the things I love with the people I love. I minored in Music and also enjoy singing with my wife, and playing the guitar, piano and drums.

You have my promise that your best care will always be at the heart of everything I do. I feel so blessed to work with Dr. Kavanaugh's great team as we start this next chapter. As I obviously can't continue to operate under her fine name, we will be transitioning to Luker Dental. I can't wait to meet you!

Dr. David Luker

