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MEMORANDUM TO: Health System Organizations and Providers**SUBJECT: Update on COVID-19 Preparations and Actions**

In follow-up to our last communication, we are pleased to share additional updates from the provincial Health Command Table on key actions that are being taken to address COVID-19 and ensure that Ontario's health care system is prepared for the Fall, including:

- **Concluding the long-term care Incident Management System (IMS) structure and transitioning to a stabilization structure.**
 - The stabilization structure will focus on preventing future outbreaks in long-term care homes and Fall preparedness planning.
 - The long-term care IMS structure will serve as a model that can be replicated to rapidly address and manage outbreaks in other settings such as farms and schools.
- **Focusing rapid response efforts on collective problem solving to address current outbreaks and prepare to respond effectively to future outbreaks.**
 - This includes implementing effective communications to support greater adherence to physical distancing and other public health measures by Ontarians as the province continues in stage 3 of reopening.
- **Continuing to review modeling information to inform fall planning.**
 - This includes reviewing a variety of scenarios that could impact on the spread of the COVID-19 disease, including the impacts of reopening the border.
 - Working with the Ministry of Education to inform school reopening scenarios.

We thank you for your continued work to respond to the pandemic and implement a phased recovery.

Sincerely,

(original signed by)

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