

Statement from Minister David Caplan on eHealth Ontario

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The eHealth agenda is one of this government's top priorities. Modernizing our health care system is going to lead to better patient care, and more efficient health care service delivery for our province.

While we have recently seen progress and momentum, many valid concerns have been raised regarding eHealth Ontario. That's why I directed the board of eHealth Ontario to launch a third-party review of the agency, overseen by a government auditor, and requested that the Auditor General report on his own review as quickly as possible.

The board reported to me that the current uncertainty surrounding eHealth Ontario threatens to delay initiatives that are crucial to our government's plan to modernize and improve our health care system.

I am acting immediately upon its request to revoke Sarah Kramer's appointment as eHealth Ontario President and Chief Executive Officer. Ron Sapsford, Deputy Minister of Health and Long Term Care, will serve as acting President and Chief Executive Officer of eHealth Ontario until an interim President and CEO can quickly be appointed.

This decision is an important step to restore public confidence in the agency and its mandate of modernizing our health care system.

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