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**MEMORANDUM TO:** Stephen LeClair  
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Financial Accountability Office of Ontario

**FROM:** Dr. Bob Bell  
Deputy Minister  
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

Greg Orencsak  
Deputy Minister  
Treasury Board Secretariat

**RE:** **2015 Ontario Budget Health Information Request**

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Thank you for your letter of January 12, 2016 requesting information pertaining to health sector expense trends and medium-term outlook in the 2015 Ontario Budget.

Treasury Board Secretariat (TBS) and the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) acknowledge the important role played by you and your office in providing independent analysis of the state of the Province's finances. Our Ministries have undertaken a review of potentially responsive records to respond to your list of questions.

As a result, we are pleased to provide you with the attached consolidated response including links to additional resources that we hope you will find helpful. The response has been divided into four broad headings, grouping together similar questions for ease of reference. The headings are: Health Care Spending, Historical and Projected; Methodology; Implemented Program Changes and Strategic Outlook; and Cost Drivers and Expected Future Growth.

Please note that certain records identified through the review process were determined to contain confidential Cabinet information. Pursuant to subsection 12 (2) of the *Financial Accountability Officer Act, 2013*, we have excluded those records from our response.

Once your Office has had the opportunity to review the attached records, you may find it useful to meet with our ministries' staff to provide any further clarification you may require. The primary contacts to support your work include: Phil Cooke, Director, Fiscal Oversight and Performance Branch, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, who can be reached at (416) 327-8674, and Teuta Dodbiba, Director (A), Health, Social and Coordination Branch, Treasury Board Secretariat, who can be reached at (416) 326-9005.

Sincerely,



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- Teuta Dodbiba, Director (A), Health, Social and Coordination Branch, TBS
- Scott Thompson, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Finance
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Attachments