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Dr. Graham Pollett
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Dear Dr. Pollett:

I am writing regarding a new base funding for the Healthy Babies Healthy Children (HBHC) program as part of the 9,000 Nurses Commitment, a key component of the province's health human resources strategy. As you may be aware, the Ministry, together with the HBHC Advisory Committee and Public Health sector, has developed a new HBHC Screening Tool and Protocol which we are now ready to implement. We are also making improvements to information we provide to parents through new brochures and an improved web resource.

I am pleased to inform you that Middlesex-London Health Unit will receive \$100,000 increase in base funding for one (1.0) new full-time equivalent public health nurse position to support the delivery of the Healthy Babies Healthy Children program.

Ministry staff will contact you shortly regarding the necessary amendments to your service agreement, specifications for the recruitment of the public health nurse position and the reporting requirements.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to improving services for Ontario's children and their families through the Healthy Babies Healthy Children program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric Hoskins".

Dr. Eric Hoskins
Minister