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Dr. Christopher Mackie  
Medical Officer of Health  
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Dear Dr. Mackie:

In follow up to the letter that Assistant Deputy Minister Darryl Sturtevant sent recently, I am pleased to inform you that the South West Infant Hearing Program (IHP) will receive an annual increase to its \$835,886 base budget of \$245,338. The funding enhancement beginning July 1, 2017 of \$184,004 will reflect the remaining nine months this fiscal 2017-18.

This investment will enhance service capacity and will help build a more sustainable program over time, including supporting the purchase of hearing screening consumables. It will also support the timely delivery of assessment and intervention services, such as language development. As per the previous letter, the Ministry will undertake a review within two years in order to assess the impact of this investment on reaching these objectives.

Please find attached a Transfer Payment Amending Agreement to your 2016-17 Service Level Agreement. Please do the following:

- 1) Sign and date page 2 of the Agreement.
- 2) Attach an updated Budget schedule (Appendix 2 of the Amending Agreement) that reflects the enhanced funding for this fiscal 2017-18.
- 3) Return two signed hard copies of the Agreement by Friday, July 28, 2017 to:

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Please don't hesitate to contact me at [stacey.weber@ontario.ca](mailto:stacey.weber@ontario.ca) or 416-327-7386 if you have any questions.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment and dedication in making the IHP a success in Ontario.

Sincerely,



Stacey Weber  
A/Director

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