



TO: Chair and Members of the Finance & Facilities Committee
FROM: Christopher Mackie, Medical Officer of Health / CEO
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**2018 BUDGET – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LONG-TERM CARE (MOHLTC)
APPROVED GRANTS**

Recommendation

It is recommended that Report No. 019-18FFC re: “2018 Budget – Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) Approved Grants” be received for information.

Key Points

- On April 13, the Health Unit received notification from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) of a two-percent increase in base funding for 2018 for all health units, and potentially another 1% for some health units.
- Details are coming, and will be outlined in an Amending Agreement to the Public Health Funding and Accountability Agreement.

2018 Provincial Grant Approval

A letter from Dr. Helena Jaczek, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, on Friday, April 13, is attached as ([Appendix A](#)). The letter acknowledges the vital role of public health and contains the following funding announcement:

“In order to support the integral role of public health as a unique sector within an integrated health system, I am pleased to announce a two percent base funding increase to all boards of health for the provision of public health programs and services. An additional one percent increment will be allocated on local need as detailed in the board of health Annual Service Plans submitted to the Ministry in March.”

This increase represents a \$15M base funding investment in public health across the province, as well as approximately \$16M in one-time funding to support a number of initiatives associated with the delivery of Ontario public health programs.

Mandatory Programs Funding

The Board of Health-approved budget for mandatory program funding for 2018 is \$16,131,200. Assuming that this is the base amount upon which the two-percent increase will be calculated, this amounts to a base funding increase of approximately \$322,624.

Individual funding allocations will be communicated shortly in funding letters from the Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister, as well as an Amending Agreement to the Public Health Funding and Accountability Agreement. Until that time, we are unable to provide further detail on the approved allocations, or about whether the Health Unit is also eligible for the one-percent increment to be assessed on local need.

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