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Ms. Lynne Livingstone Chair, London's Child & Youth Network Market Tower 151 Dundas St London, ON N6A 5B6

Dear Ms. Livingstone,

On behalf of the Middlesex-London Board of Health, I would like to begin by stating that the Board firmly supports London's Child and Youth Network and the strategic plan articulated in *The Best for Our Children, Youth and Families: The Next Three Years of London's Child and Youth Agenda to 2015.* Our organization is proud to be an active member of the Network as we share many of the same goals for the children, youth and families that we serve. As such, the Health Unit agrees to consider the possibility of changes to how our programs and services are delivered as we explore the best fit within this new system.

The Health Unit envisions being an active participant in the new agenda. We will work in partnership with the Family Centres and the neighbourhoods in order to deliver programs and services specific to public health. Examples of potential services include Well Baby and Child Clinics, Prenatal Programs and Parenting Support Groups. We would look forward to exploring additional services for the Centres in collaboration with the Family Centres and neighbourhoods.

Moreover, the Health Unit remains committed to continue working towards greater integration throughout the children, youth and family services sectors through collectively planning and implementing the Child and Youth Agenda. We see the benefits of integration for our community and look forward to working with all members of the Network to continue to strengthen London's children, youth and families.

Sincerely,

Bryna Warshawsky, MDCM, CCFP, FRCPC Secretary-Treasurer