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To: Association of Family Health Teams of Ontario

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Subject: Susan Fitzpatrick Named Interim CEO of Ontario Health

This afternoon Christine Elliott, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, <u>announced</u> that Susan Fitzpatrick will assume the role of interim CEO of Ontario Health, the new superagency which will ensure a consistency of care across Ontario.

Susan Fitzpatrick

Susan Fitzpatrick was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) in 2015, following a career in the Ontario Public Service that spanned more than three decades. Prior to joining the LHIN, Susan was Associate Deputy Minister, Health System Delivery and Implementation, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. As Associate Deputy Minister, Susan was responsible for bringing together health programs in LHINs, CCACs, Long-term Care and Physician Services, and creating alignment opportunities in order to deliver quality health services to patients.

Prior to her role at the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Susan was the Assistant Deputy Minister of the Negotiations and Accountability Management Division and the General Manager of the Ontario Health Insurance Plan where she led significant policy achievements.

Susan holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Business Administration from the University of Western Ontario, and a master's degree in Public Administration from Queen's University.

Ontario Health

Just last week, on April 18, the government passed Bill 74, *The People's Health Care Act*, which creates Ontario Health and enables the overall transformation of our health system. The announcement today signifies that the government is moving quickly to configure this new agency. This superagency is key to the government's plan to eliminate fragmentation and silos in Ontario's health system. According to the government, through the creation of Ontario Health we can expect our health system to become more efficient and effective, and thereby more focused on patient-centred care. As government continues to organize and build Ontario Health, H+K will monitor the situation closely.

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