



Ontario Health

Central

March 10, 2026

Ms. Ware
Administrator
The Ontario Mission of the Deaf Incorporated
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DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Ms. Ware:

Re: CCA s. 22 Notice and Extension of Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement (“Extending Letter”)

The *Connecting Care Act, 2019* (“CCA”) requires Ontario Health (“OH”) to notify a health service provider when OH proposes to enter into, or amend, a service accountability agreement with that health service provider.

OH hereby gives notice and advises The Ontario Mission of the Deaf Incorporated (the “HSP”) of OH’s proposal to amend each long-term care home service accountability agreement (as described in the CCA) currently in effect between OH and the HSP (each “SAA”).

Subject to the HSP’s acceptance of this Extending Letter, each SAA will be amended with effect on March 31, 2026 as set out below. All other terms and conditions of each SAA will remain in full force and effect.

The terms and conditions in each SAA are amended as follows:

- 1) **Term** – In section 2.1, “March 31, 2026” is deleted and replaced by “March 31, 2027”.
- 2) **RAI MDS**
 - a. In Section 1.1, the definition of “**RAI MDS Tools**” is deleted and replaced with ““**Long-Term Care Facilities Tools**” or “**LTCF Tools**” means the standardized Long-Term Care Facilities Data Set, the Long-Term Care Facilities User Manual, and the Long-Term Care Facilities Practice Requirements, as the same may be amended from time to time.”
 - b. All references to “RAI MDS” are deleted and replaced with “LTCF Data Set”.
 - c. All references to “RAI MDS Tools” are deleted and replaced with “LTCF Tools”.
 - d. All references to “RAI MDS Data” are deleted and replaced with “LTCF Data”.
 - e. All references to the “Continuing Care Reporting System” (“CCRS”) are deleted and replaced with “Integrated interRAI Reporting System” (“IRRS”).

3) **Schedules** – The Schedules in effect on March 31, 2026 shall remain in effect until March 31, 2027, or until such other time as may be agreed to in writing by OH and the HSP.

Unless otherwise defined in this letter, all capitalized terms used in this letter have the meanings set out in each SAA.

Please indicate the HSP's acceptance and agreement to the amendments described in this Extending Letter by signing below and returning one scanned copy of this letter by e-mail no later than the end of business day on March 31, 2026, to: OH-Central.Funding@ontariohealth.ca.

The HSP and OH agree that the Extending Letter may be validly executed electronically, and that their respective electronic signature is the legal equivalent of a manual signature.

Should you have any questions regarding the information provided in this Extending Letter, please contact Jeff Kwan, Vice President, Performance, Accountability and Funding Allocation, Ontario Health Central at Jeffery.Kwan@ontariohealth.ca.

Sincerely,



Christine Nuernberger
Interim Chief Regional Officer
Ontario Health Central




Jeff Kwan
Vice President, Performance, Accountability and Funding Allocation
Ontario Health Central

Signature page follows

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY

The Ontario Mission of the Deaf Incorporated


By:



~~Derek Rumball~~ **Shirley Cassel**
Chairman of the Board
I have authority to bind the health service provider.

Date: 03/17/2026
mm/dd/yyyy

And By:



Christine Ware
Administrator
I have authority to bind the health service provider.

Date: Mar. 13, 2026
mm/dd/yyyy



**Ontario
Health**

Memo

Date:

March 6, 2026

To: CEOs/Executive Directors of Long-Term Care (LTC) Homes

From: Nicole Robinson, Interim Chief Regional Officer, West, Ontario Health
Christine Nuernberger, Interim Chief Regional Officer, Central, Ontario Health
Scott Ovenden, Chief Regional Officer, Toronto and East, Ontario Health
Brian Kytort, Chief Regional Officer, North East and North West, Ontario Health

Re: Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement (LSAA) extension

Background

The Long-Term Care Home Service Accountability Agreement (LSAA) establishes accountabilities and performance expectations and enables Ontario Health to provide funding for the delivery of health services. The LSAA also lays out the commitment between Ontario Health and long-term care homes to work together to achieve provincial priorities, including building a connected and sustainable health care system centred around the needs of clients, their families and their caregivers.

Purpose

This memo provides an update on the planned approach to the LSAA for 2026/27.

LSAA Extension

Ontario Health intends to amend each LSAA for the 2026/27 fiscal year by extending the term of the agreement by one year from April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027. In addition to the term, the LSAA will also be updated to reflect the change from the Continuing Care Reporting System and related RAI MDS Tools to the Integrated interRAI Reporting System and LTCF Tools.

Please find the extension notice and letter attached. Please ensure the LSAA extension is signed by an authorized decision maker and returned to Ontario Health by March 31, 2026.

Looking Ahead

In 2026/27, Ontario Health will be working to review and update the schedules within the LSAA for years beyond 2026/27 to ensure alignment with system goals and priorities. The sector will be further engaged in this work, with more information to follow.

Thank you for your ongoing engagement. If you have any questions please reach out to Jeff Kwan, Vice President, Performance, Accountability & Funding Allocation at jeffery.kwan@ontariohealth.ca.