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Len Goddard President of Agencies Providing Ontario Developmental Services 1-3735 St. Joseph Blvd. Orleans, Ontario K4A 0Z7

Dear Len Goddard

Thank you for your correspondence dated April 24, 2024, through which you introduced Agencies Providing Ontario Developmental Services, described its organizational objectives, as well as the current financial challenges that are experienced by its members.

I am pleased to hear about the positive and constructive relationship that you referenced with Service Coordination Support for People with Developmental Disabilities in its role as a placing agency.

Please be assured that there is attention to the impacts of inflation on human service delivery within the Province of Ontario.

I encourage your members to support ongoing dialogue with their placing agencies about the needs and interests of supported persons. Any resource that may become available to individuals who are supported by third parties would be contracted through such placing agencies.

You may also be interested in the upcoming OARTY/ORCA Conference scheduled for June 5-7, 2024. There is a Ministry presentation on Journey to Belonging on June 6, 2024. Please reference the following link for more information. https://secure.oarty.net/2023-oarty-conference.html.

Thank you for this opportunity to respond to your correspondence.

Jeff Gill, Director, East Region

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