The Ministry has assumed responsibility for the administration of the physician Pregnancy and Parental Leave Benefit Program, the Northern Physician Retention Initiative, the Final Year Medical Student Bursary Program, and the Continuing Medical Education Program.

**Pregnancy and Parental Leave Benefit Program (PPLBP):**

To obtain the application package and general program information, you can contact the Ministry at:

The PPLBP Administrator  
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care  
Suite 301, 1075 Bay Street  
Toronto ON M7A 0A5  
Tel: (416) 212-6212  
Email: pplbp@ontario.ca

**Northern Physician Retention Initiative (NPRI):**

The Ministry’s Primary Health Care Branch, Northern Health Programs will administer the NPRI. The application form and program information for the 2012/13 fiscal year will be available by December 21, 2012 on the UAP web site at:
For additional information, you can contact the Ministry at:

Tel:   (705) 564-7238 or toll-free 1-877-770-7566

Email:  NPRI@ontario.ca

**Final Year Medical Student Bursary Program:**

Ontario’s six faculties of medicine will administer the Final Year Medical Student Bursary Program for the remainder of 2012/13 and 2013/14. This arrangement is now being finalized.

There may be a delay in the issuance of the January 2013 bursary payment to clerks. The Ministry will provide a letter to clerks in December advising them of the delay.

Inquiries can be directed to:

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**CME Program:**

The Ministry will issue an INFOBulletin as soon as the application form for the 2012 CME program is available. Physicians are advised to retain all receipts for their 2012 CME expenses.