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MEMORANDUM TO: Health System Organizations and Providers

SUBJECT: Update on COVID-19 Preparations and Actions

In follow-up to our last communication, we are pleased to share additional updates from the provincial Health Command Table on key actions that are being taken to address COVID-19:

- **Continuing efforts to sustain the reduction in cases seen in recent weeks, through effective outbreak management, case and contact management and ongoing testing.**
 - Over the last two weeks, fewer than 200 new cases were reported on all but two days.
- **Continuing to provide support for timely and effective responses to outbreaks in long-term care homes.**
 - Regular testing to keep workers and residents safe and targeted supports to stabilize the remaining homes in critical need.
- **Building on lessons learned from our wave 1 response, we are looking ahead to the Fall and flu season:**
 - Supporting hospitals and community providers as they quickly and safely resume scheduled surgeries and procedures.
 - Reviewing health system capacity, health human resources and clinical supplies and equipment to prepare to respond to a possible second wave.

We thank you for your continued work to respond to the pandemic and implement a phased recovery.

Sincerely,

(original signed by)

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