Interoffice Memorandum

Date:	April 4, 2025
То:	Health & Social Services Committee
From:	Dr. Robert Kyle
Subject:	Health Information Update – March 30, 2025

Please find attached the latest links to health information from the Health Department and other key sources that you may find of interest. Links may need to be copied and pasted directly in your web browser to open, including the link below.

You may also wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual available at <u>Board of Health Manual</u>, which is continually updated.

Boards of health are required to "superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by the [Health Protection and Promotion] Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board" (section 4, clause a, HPPA). In addition, medical officers of health are required to "[report] directly to the board of health on issues relating to public health concerns and to public health programs and services under this or any other Act" (sub-section 67.(1), HPPA).

Accordingly, the Health Information Update is a component of the Health Department's 'Accountability Framework', which also may include program and other reports, Health Plans, Quality Enhancement Plans, Durham Health Check-Ups, business plans and budgets; provincial performance indicators and targets, monitoring, compliance audits and assessments; RDPS certification; and accreditation by Accreditation Canada.

Respectfully submitted,

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UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE March 30, 2025

Health Department Media Releases/Publications

tinyurl.com/ev66y8h4

• World Tuberculosis (TB) Day (Mar 24)

tinyurl.com/k83hhzyt

• Measles Testing (Mar 25)

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

Employment and Social Development Canada

tinyurl.com/zvxwm72m

• Added essential talent and depth to Canada's growing healthcare and constructions sectors (Mar 20)

tinyurl.com/bdhkpwad

• 2025 National Inventory Report supports Canada's climate plan is working: emissions have dropped to their lowest level in 27 years (excluding pandemic years) (Mar 21)

Health Canada

tinyurl.com/4t2mbc5a

 Canadian Dental Care Plan expands to include millions of new eligible Canadians (Mar 22)

Public Health Agency of Canada tinyurl.com/j463x4b4

• Government of Canada announces the organization to establish and lead the National Autism Network (Mar 21)

tinyurl.com/3fnpxmz2

 Joint Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of the Public Health Agency of Canada and the Chief Medical Officer of Public Health of Indigenous Services Canada on World Tuberculosis Day 2025 (Mar 24)

GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO

Ministry of Health

tinyurl.com/ycxmyrsm

 Ontario Building New Homelessness and Addiction Recovery Treatment Hub in Oshawa (Mar 28)

Office of the Fire Marshal

tinyurl.com/4ser269j

• Statement from Ontario Fire Marshal Regarding Latest Fatal Fires (Mar 20)

<u>Premier's Office</u> tinyurl.com/487fb6b4

• Premier Doug Ford Unveils Cabinet to Protect Ontario (Mar 19)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Canada Water Agency tinyurl.com/yeyvfh9z

• Statement by the Honourable Terry Duguid, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, on World Water Day (Mar 22)

Canadian Medical Association

tinyurl.com/43spcuej

• CMA fighting to ensure access to health care is an all-party priority on the campaign trail (Mar 23)

tinyurl.com/2km24rvz

• Canada's biggest national health care gathering issues call to action to federal parties: candidates must fight for health care and protect what we value (Mar 28)

Canadian Partnership Against Cancer

tinyurl.com/mr3cms85

• Cancer Awareness Month: Canada's unified plan to tackle the burden of cancer (Mar 25)

Elections Canada

tinyurl.com/bdh5hjh9

• Federal General Election Now Under Way (Mar 23)

Neighbourhood Pharmacy Association of Canada

tinyurl.com/2p9zct4z

• Pharmacy Strong: Building Resilient Healthcare Together (Mar 24)

Nuclear Waste Management Organization

tinyurl.com/mutn9c5j

• Creating the future together: The NWMO's annual report highlights a year of progress and collaboration (Mar 24)

Office of the Federal Housing Advocate

tinyurl.com/5mktyzus

• Statement: A Call to Action – Canada must strengthen the human right to housing (Mar 31)

The Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada tinyurl.com/bd259xzs

• SOGC Calls on Canadian Political Parties to Prioritize Women's Health (Mar 25)

World Health Organization

tinyurl.com/2tx6ryzv

• Nearly 50 million people sign up call for clean air action for better health (Mar 17)

tinyurl.com/4wnuprf3

• New WHO guidance calls for urgent transformation of mental health policies (Mar 25)