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Good afternoon Tillsonburg Community Health Care Committee,

*The Ministry of Health & Ontario Health have released a call for expression of interest (EOI) to connect more people with primary care in communities across the province, including additional funding to create more interprofessional primary care (IPC) teams to help make care more accessible for people. As part of this, the Ministry of Health & Ontario Health are moving forward with a process to expand existing teams and/or create up to 18 new teams in communities with the greatest need. These multidisciplinary care teams will provide direct care to **vulnerable** and **marginalized** people as well as those **without a primary care provider** across Ontario.*

*The staff and board of the Ingersoll Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic (INPLC) in collaboration with the Oxford Ontario Health Team believe that the INPLC is a well-positioned model for IPC growth, with a focus on expanding the NPLC team in **Tillsonburg**. The Ingersoll Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic has been providing the full continuum of care for over 10 years. It is our intent to mirror our existing Ingersoll clinic and establish a second location in **Tillsonburg**, enabling us to enroll 800 new patients at our Ingersoll location and 3200 new patients in Tillsonburg that currently do not have access to a primary care provider. A key component of the expansion proposal is the adoption of a team-based model of interprofessional primary care. This approach maximizes efficacy, scope of practice, and collaboration within the healthcare team.*

We will seek:

- **5 .0 FTE Nurse Practitioners (1.0 for Ingersoll, 4.0 for Tillsonburg)**, that will work in a full time MRP role providing the full continuum of care to their patients
- **2.0 FTE Registered Practical Nurses** will provide direct patient support, nursing care, and educational programs and perform necessary clinical functions to facilitate the delivery of comprehensive primary health care
- **3.0 FTE Social Workers (2.0 for Tillsonburg, 1.0 Shared with Ingersoll and Tillsonburg supporting the Oxford County Trans Clinic and walk-in counselling at both locations)**, that will provide assessment and evidence informed treatment for mental health and addictions, trauma, social casework, case management, counselling, crisis assessment/intervention, individual family, treatment planning and group work services to patients. These mental health services will be available to the broader community.
- **3.0 FTE Reception Staff-** one of the most critical elements of connecting the dots to care. Administrative staff will manage the organization's lobby area, greeting, and directing patients, handling incoming calls, maintaining appointments and supporting document management, chart management systems, scheduling of patient/specialists and diagnostic testing etc.

The INPLC leadership (Clinical Director/NP Lead & Executive Director) will provide leadership to both locations, along with the current consulting physician Dr. RD Hiemstra using our existing funding. To strengthen our Expression of Interest, we are currently reaching out to partner agencies,

associations, networks, primary care providers, elected officials and municipalities to kindly provide a letter of support for inclusion in our submission.

While we **do** have OHT support, and our OHT will collectively request support from all partners, via one letter with organization signatures. We would like to specifically include letters of commitment from organizations that we currently partner with indicating the collaboration that currently takes place, and the commitment to continue that work.

We are seeking a letter of commitment from the Tillsonburg Community Health Care Committee specific to our collaborative work to attract primary care professionals, and secure physical space in the Tillsonburg area combined with the willingness to continue this partnership.

See below details of the specific section we are referencing.

Section 1.5-Ontario Health Team (OHT) and Community Partnership and Collaboration

It is strongly encouraged that applicant's partner with the local Ontario Health Team (OHT), depending on OHT maturity, and obtain a letter of commitment for that partnership. If you are not part of an OHT, please describe plans to partner with other individuals, groups, or organizations (including home and community care providers, educational institutions, health service agencies, pharmacies, public health units, mental health and addictions organizations or municipalities) in the community to organize the delivery of services to the community and prevent duplication of services, if applicable.

If we could receive this by **Friday June 9th, 2023** it would be much appreciated.

Thanks in advance for your support, and continued advocacy on behalf of Oxford residents.

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