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Emergency Health Services – Public Health Modernization team  
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RE: Public Health Modernization stakeholder consultations

Dear Mr. Pine, Ms. Blair and Dr. Williams,

On behalf of the Association of Public Health Epidemiologists in Ontario (APHEO), congratulations on your appointment to provide oversight to the Ontario Emergency Health Services and Public Health Modernization process, and on the launch of the stakeholder consultation process.

**We would like to invite you to meet with the APHEO Executive Committee at our 2019-2020 Executive Committee Transition meeting on January 6, 2020 from 1-2pm at the Public Health Ontario office at 480 University Avenue in Toronto.** This is an in-person meeting that occurs annually to transfer our association operations from one term to the next. We would welcome an opportunity to discuss the role and significance of local epidemiology in a modern health care system that provides coordinated, resilient, efficient and nimble public health services.

APHEO is a not-for-profit association comprised of approximately 300 members with a mission to advance and promote the discipline and professional practice of public health epidemiology in Ontario. A large proportion of our membership is comprised of epidemiologists and analysts employed by the 35 boards of health and other public health organizations, representing a key stakeholder group in the public health sector of Ontario. Our membership holds substantial knowledge and expertise in population health assessment, surveillance and monitoring, and makes critical contributions in identifying and meeting the evolving health needs and priorities of local communities. As the public health system is modernized to build on existing strengths and address key challenges, we stand ready to contribute.

Please note we can accommodate a different time on this date, or if necessary, another date to meet. We look forward to your response as to your presence at the meeting on January 6, 2020.

Sincerely,

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