



Health System Improvements Bill Important Foundational Work

December 18, 2006 The Board of Directors of the Ontario Home Care Association (OHCA) acknowledges the Ontario government's Health System Improvements Act, 2006 - an omnibus bill which proposes changes to several existing laws to benefit Ontarians' health and ability to access care.

The legislative change is foundational and necessary to enable a responsive, flexible and integrated health care system in Ontario. The government is applauded for addressing key areas such as accountability, patient protection, public health and improved access to allied and complementary health services.

The OHCA will continue to work collaboratively with the MOHLTC and the Local Health Integrated Networks (LHINs) to advance the transformation of Ontario's health care system to create a system that is proactive, client-focused and sustainable for the future.

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The OHCA, *the voice of home care in Ontario*, represents Canadian home care service organizations that deliver quality home care to an estimated 300,000 Ontarians annually. The OHCA advocates for a strong, dependable and accessible home care system for Ontarians. OHCA members are accredited through the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation (CCHSA) or the International Standards Association (ISO).

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