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Physiotherapy Services

To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario

Whereas the Ministry of Health is planning major changes to services provided by OHIP for physiotherapy as of August 1st, 2013,

And Whereas this change will drastically cut the number of allowable treatments to 12 per year for people who are currently eligible for 100 treatments annually,

And Whereas funding for physiotherapy services to seniors in long-term care homes would be cut by almost 50 per cent, from an estimated \$110 million per year to \$58.5 million per year,

And Whereas ambulatory seniors in retirement homes would have to travel off-site for physiotherapy,

And Whereas under the changes scheduled for August 1st, the cost of visits under the CCAC (Community Care Access Centre) model will rise to \$120 per visit, rather than the current fee of \$12.20 per visit through OHIP physiotherapy providers.

And Whereas these changes will deprive seniors and other eligible clients from the many health and mobility benefits of physiotherapy

Therefore we the undersigned ask that the de-listing of OHIP physiotherapy clinics as of August 1st not proceed and that the provincial government guarantee there will be no reduction in services currently available for seniors, children and youths, people with disabilities and all those who currently eligible for OHIP-funded physiotherapy.

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