



2021 Annual General Meeting  
**Virtual AGM**

**Resolution # 2021- 7**

Originator: **Staff**

Subject: **Mental Health and Addictions**

Date: June 22, 2021

Moved By:

Seconded By:

**WHEREAS** the Northern Ontario region has significant access issues and wait-lists for mental health and addictions services impacting our communities and clients; and

**WHEREAS** NOSDA members do not have the capacity to address mental health or addiction issues facing their clients in Ontario Works, Community Housing and Paramedic Services without the help of community service delivery partners; and

**WHEREAS** NOSDA members deliver services that are integral to the health service continuum and yet those services are limited in their efficacy due to the lack of integration with health service providers

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Ministry of Health establish a joint partnership committee with the Ontario Health agency and NOSDA members, recognizing the Service System Manager role of the NOSDA members, to ensure direct funding is secured by the mental health and addictions service providers to provide the necessary supports to NOSDA members as required; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT** NOSDA continue to advocate for mental health and addictions system capacity so that those Mental Health Associations and organizations can and will provide appropriate support to community housing residents that require service.

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NOSDA Chair



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**Resolution # 2021- 6**

Originator: **Staff**

Subject: **Public Health Crisis in the North**

Date: June 22, 2021

Moved By:

Seconded By:

**WHEREAS** Northern Ontario is in the middle of Public Health Crisis where the number of opioid deaths has far exceeded the number of deaths related to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

**WHEREAS** the deaths related to COVID are tragic and have been felt all across Northern Ontario, the Mental Health and Addictions Crisis is devastating to communities because of the lack of Mental Health and Addictions resources available in Northern Ontario; and

**WHEREAS** this Public Health Crisis affects all aspects of the services and people NOSDA members serve; and

**WHEREAS** the province and each provincial Ministry has a role to play in dealing with this Public Health Crisis; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is responsible for providing safe and affordable housing; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Children, Community & Social Services is responsible for financial assistance to the most vulnerable; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Health is responsible for providing Emergency Health Services and health services; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Education is responsible for providing safe, affordable and quality Early Learning and Child Care;

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Solicitor General is responsible for Correctional Facilities and the safe discharge planning for those in their custody; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development is responsible for working to prevent workplace injuries and illnesses, promoting and enforcing employment standards including the Health and Safety of all employees; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Long Term Care is responsible for working to end hallway medicine, reduce waitlists and ensure that our long-term care sector has a proper path forward to handle the growing elderly population.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** NOSDA calls on the Premier to take an all of government approach to manage and find solutions to the Public Health Crisis in the North; and

**FURTHER BE IT RESVED THAT** NOSDA calls on the Premier to establish a Northern Ontario Joint Partnership table to manage the Public Health Crisis in Northern Ontario.

**FURTHER BE IT RESVED THAT** NOSDA work with the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA) and Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM) to work with the province to deal with Public Health Crisis.

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NOSDA Chair



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**Resolution # 2021- 10**

Originator: **Children's Services Working Group**  
Subject: **Support for National Child Care Plan**  
Date: June 22, 2021

Moved By:

Seconded By:

**WHEREAS** the Federal Government announced a commitment to invest up to \$30B into the development of a national early learning and child care strategy over the next five years in its 2021 budget tabled on April 19, 2021, and to provide permanent ongoing funding of \$8.3B annually by 2025-26; and

**WHEREAS** new federal investments will reduce fees in regulated child care by 50% on average by 2022; and

**WHEREAS** federal funding will enable an average of \$10 per day child care by 2026 everywhere in Canada outside of Quebec; and

**WHEREAS** federal funding will support additional spaces for before-and-after school care for families; and

**WHEREAS** federal funding will create new enhancements for Indigenous early learning and child care programs; and

**WHEREAS** the Federal budget announcement offers an unprecedented investment to make early learning and child care more affordable and accessible for families across the country; and

**WHEREAS** the COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated how essential child care is for families, communities, and employers, and how precarious the current early learning and child care system in Ontario is without sufficient and stable government funding; and

**WHEREAS** territories and provinces must enter into bilateral agreements with the Federal government agreeing to targets on areas such as affordability, quality of care, and training of early childhood educators in order to access the new funding as outlined in the federal budget.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** NOSDA advise the Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education of its support for a National Child Care Plan and NOSDA will work with the Province in developing a responsive, affordable, and high quality early learning and child care system that recognizes the value and contribution of early years professionals.

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NOSDA Chair