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Dear Kim, Robbie, Sherry, and Kate,

On behalf of Ontario’s Doctors, thank you for meeting with our delegation from the Ontario Medical Association during the 2025 AMO Conference. We greatly appreciate the opportunity to hear your perspectives on health care from a municipal lens.

Through our conversations with you and other municipal leaders, we heard clearly that residents continue to face long wait times, limited access to timely care, and high rates of unattachment. Despite these challenges, municipalities remain steadfast in their efforts to support the health needs of their communities. Many local leaders shared how the shortage of family physicians is not only a health care concern but also a barrier to economic growth and community development.

While health care may not fall directly within your mandate, we were encouraged by the innovative approaches municipalities are taking to address gaps in care. Many municipalities shared how the shortage of family physicians is not only a health-care concern but also a barrier to economic growth and community development.

Thank you once again for your dedication to building a healthier Ontario. We are grateful for your time and the meaningful conversation. The OMA is here as a resource to you; we are proud to work together in our goal of creating a health-care system that all Ontarians can be proud of.

We look forward to working closely with you. If we can ever be of assistance or you have any follow-up questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Government Relations and Advocacy team at info@oma.org.

Sincerely,



Kimberly Moran, CEO
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