



July 13, 2020

Hon. Christine Elliott, MPP
Deputy Premier and Minister of Health
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister,

The Eye Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (EPSO) represents more than 400 ophthalmologists across Ontario whose sole purpose is to protect, preserve, and enhance the vision of our patients. To that end, we provide medical and surgical care for the full spectrum of eye diseases. Optometrists manage patients on the front-lines and are important partners in the circle of eye care. We are aware of the current impasse between Optometry and the Ministry of Health and implore both parties to work together to find a sustainable solution.

Sincerely,



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cc. Sheldon Salaba, OD, President of the Ontario Association of Optometrists