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Memorandum

To: Ontario Bridge Training Program Service Providers

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Development

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Subject: Six Month Extension for 2021-2024 Ontario Bridge Training

Program (OBTP) Transfer Payment Agreements (TPAs)

Objective

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform Ontario Bridge Training Program (OBTP) service providers on the six-month extension for the 2021-2024 Transfer Payment Agreements (TPAs).

What is happening?

All current 2021-2024 OBTP TPAs will be extended by six-months, amending the current agreements' end date from September 30, 2024 to March 31, 2025.

Allocations for the additional six-month extension will be issued based on the proration of allocations for a full fiscal year.

Targets and projects activities in the current TPA will have to be adjusted through a business planning negotiation between service providers and local ministry staff to accommodate the six-month extension and the additional funding that will be allocated to current OBTP projects.

Service providers are expected to demonstrate an increase in their capacity and expansion of services to additional clients. All target revisions and new project activities that will be captured in the TPA amendments must be completed by March 31, 2025, with no exceptions. TPA amendments are expected to come into effect before April 1, 2024, to allow service providers a full fiscal year for the delivery of additional services and full expenditure of additional funds.

Who is affected?

All OBTP service providers who hold a 2021 – 2024 TPA with the Ministry.

What is happening now?

A ministry representative will be in contact with you in the next few weeks to inform you on subsequent steps.

Background

The ministry currently holds TPAs for 45 OBTP projects that are active for the period of October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2024. To align all Employment Ontario programs with the ministry's fiscal year, the ministry is providing a six-month extension to the existing OBTP projects.

Contact Information

For further clarification, please contact your Ministry representative.

Sincerely,

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