

## Memorandum

**To:** **Canada-Ontario Job Grant Service Providers**

**From:** Kirsten Cutler, Assistant Deputy Minister (Acting),  
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**Subject:** Canada-Ontario Job Grant Redesign

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Dear Service Providers,

We would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an update on the Canada-Ontario Job Grant (COJG) program. As you are aware, COJG applications have been paused while the ministry conducted a program review and redesign.

The ministry is transitioning to a re-designed COJG model with a new delivery approach that improves efficiency, monitoring, and employer supports.

The ministry will be ending COJG transfer payment agreements (TPAs) with third party delivery partners and will not be entering into any new TPAs with service providers after the current TPAs expire on March 31, 2026. Additional details about this change are available in the accompanying Questions and Answers (Qs and As), available in the [COJG Qs and As section](#) on the [Employment Ontario Partners' Gateway](#).

### Next Steps for Wind Down

Any unspent funds remaining at the end of the TPA are subject to recovery by the province or will be offset through adjustments to final or subsequent installments in accordance with the TPA. The ministry will provide further information on future program delivery in early 2026. Planning is currently underway for a spring 2026 relaunch,

As you are aware, training dates, follow-ups, and reporting obligations, among other surviving terms, may extend past the TPA expiration date. The ministry will work closely with service providers to help ensure successful completion of all outstanding activities in accordance with the terms of the TPA.

To support continuity of service and accountability for public funds, service providers are reminded of their obligation under section A7.3 of the TPA to keep and maintain all financial and non-financial records pertaining to the project or the funds for seven years from their creation. Additionally, per section A7.9 of the TPA, the ministry may, at any time after the expiry of the TPA, demand the transfer of certain records to another organization to facilitate the successful continuation or completion of the project, or a similar project, including the continuation or completion of services to individuals.

### **Redesigned Program**

Further updates about the new program will be shared publicly as soon as they become available. Thank you for your commitment to supporting Ontario employers and workers.

If you have any questions, please contact your ministry representative.

Sincerely,

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