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Mr. Jeff Low  
Board Chair  
South West Local Health Integration Network  
201 Queens Avenue, Suite 700  
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Dear Mr. Low:

I am pleased to approve the South West Local Health Integration Network's (LHIN) 2015-16 Annual Business Plan (ABP).

The implementation of the priorities outlined in your ABP will help achieve the goals articulated in the *Patients First: Action Plan for Health Care*, which include: providing Ontarians better and faster access to quality health services, better information so they can make decisions that will help them live healthy and stay healthy, and healthcare services that will be protected for generations to come.

You have identified a number of important initiatives for your LHIN in your ABP. Of particular note is the work your LHIN has done to improve access to family health care through the establishment of Health Links and to bring local providers together as a team to help family doctors connect more quickly with healthcare providers.

It is important to note that approval of this business plan does not imply approval of the South West LHIN budget allocations; this is subject to the ministry receiving the necessary appropriation from the Ontario Legislature.

On behalf of the government, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for your commitment and work on behalf of the people of Ontario.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Hoskins".

Dr. Eric Hoskins  
Minister

c: Mr. Michael Barrett, Chief Executive Officer, South West Local Health Integration Network