

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

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==Committee Requested==

Committee: Board of Health

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request: As part of the McMaster Municipal Day of Action team, a group of medical students have been meeting with some of the city councillors to discuss our ask, which focuses on addressing the opioid crisis. Specifically, our ask is for the city councillors to write a letter to the Honorable Christine Elliott in support of injectable opioid agonist therapies, as the city of Toronto has done. Recent guidelines and evidence shows that this is an effective harm reduction strategy but it is not yet accessible to individuals who need it. We hope to present at the November Board of Health meeting to ask for support on this ask so that we can together reduce the impact that the opioid crisis is having on our city.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes