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Dr. Elizabeth Richardson
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Dear Dr. Elizabeth Richardson:

I am pleased to advise that the provincial government has committed one-time funding up to \$84,000 to City of Hamilton for the Central West Tobacco Control Area Network (TCAN) for the period April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011. This funding is subject to City of Hamilton entering into a grant funding agreement with the Ministry.

The provincial government recognizes the significant cost of preventable diseases to Ontarians and to our health care system. We believe that activities such as these will help support our primary objectives of healthier living and disease prevention. Together with our partners in the community, we are fostering improved health and ensuring that Ontarians have the healthiest choices wherever people live, learn, work and play. MHPS recognizes the contributions of public health units to deliver grassroots public education, particularly with regard to ensuring compliance with the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act (SFOA)*, helping smokers to quit and preventing youth from starting.

The accountability and administrative details regarding this funding will be communicated to you shortly through the office of Garth Cramer, Director, Communications Branch.

Thank you for your continuing effort and co-operation in working with the ministry to promote a healthier Ontario. Your important contributions, and continued hard work and dedication will help to improve the quality of life and health of all Ontarians.

Yours truly,

Jean Lam
Assistant Deputy Minister

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