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To: All, Family Health Teams, Nurse Practitioner Led Clinics and Aboriginal Health Access Centres

A number of questions have come from Teams requesting to reallocate unspent funds to support Ontario Health Team (OHT) development.

We want to reinforce our continued support for this initiative and remind Teams that all funding agreements have requirements to ensure financial accountability for spending public funds. The agreements also require that these public funds be expensed to directly deliver Programs and Services.

There are typically two ways in which teams can contribute financially to the development of OHTs. 1) The team can directly purchase a service on behalf of their OHT in accordance with the procurement language in their agreement. 2) The Team can cost share expenses of another agency if it has established a cost sharing arrangement with that agency to do so.

We hope you find this information helpful. If you have any questions please reach out to your Ministry Contact.

Thank you,

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