

2000 aIPHa RESOLUTION NO. A00 - 13

TITLE: Provincial Budget Approvals

SPONSOR: Sudbury & District Board of Health

WHEREAS the delay of Ministry of Health approval of the 1999 public health unit budgets until December 1999 resulted in many health units not being able to implement staff, program or capital enhancements in a timely manner, despite much earlier municipal budget approvals; and

WHEREAS this late approval meant that all unspent monies had to be returned to the province and the municipalities without any possibility of carryover into budget year 2000; and

WHEREAS this delay further affects the ability of health units to fully implement Mandatory Programs and Services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (aIPHa) urgently request the Public Health Branch and the Ministry of Health to ensure that provincial budget approvals be given as soon as possible after receipt of confirmation of municipal matching funding and, hopefully no later than June of any given year;

AND FURTHER that the Ministry re-evaluates the current policy of not providing for capital budgets or allowing year-end carryovers.

Action from Conference:

Moved: Brian MacKay (Toronto)

Seconded: Jack Hunter (Simcoe)

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