

Resolution: [#A04-6, Childhood Obesity](#)

The operative clause of this resolution passed in 2004 urges the Chief Medical Officer of Health to review and make recommendations on childhood obesity in the next annual report. It also urges the Government of Ontario to strike an expert panel to study childhood obesity and to recommend an Ontario obesity strategy.

Status

This resolution was *closed* on January 18, 2005.

Recent Developments

May 12, 2005

Boards of Health pass motions urging Government action on the recommendations contained in *Healthy Weights, Healthy Lives: Durham Region; Grey Bruce Health Unit; Haldimand-Norfolk; Halton; Perth; [Sudbury and District](#); Timiskaming*

April 29, 2005

Letter sent to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care informing him of the below endorsement (see below). [Click here to read](#) the letter.

April 21, 2005

alPHA's Board of Directors unanimously endorsed the Ontario Collaborative Group on Healthy Eating's [Call to Action on the 2004 Chief Medical Officer of Health Report, Healthy Weights, Healthy Lives](#)

January 28th, 2005

Letter from alPHA President Larry O'Connor to Ontario's ministers of health, education and labour, and the federal Minister of State (Public Health) and Minister of Health urging swift action on the CMOH recommendations listed in *Healthy Weights, Healthy Lives*. [Please click here to read the letter](#).

January 18, 2005

This resolution was closed by alPHA's advocacy committee as the operative clause has been fulfilled. However, this issue remains open since the government has yet to act upon the recommendations of the Chief Medical Officer of Health which calls for a comprehensive, multi-sectoral approach to reducing obesity incidence in Ontario.

December 7th, 2004

Letter from alPHA President Larry O'Connor sent to the CMOH in support of the recommendations contained in *Healthy Weights, Healthy Lives* and pledging the assistance of Ontario's health units in their implementation. [Please click here to read the letter](#).

November 24, 2004

Dr. Sheela Basrur, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health released her annual report at the Ontario Public Health Association's annual conference. Entitled *Healthy Weights, Healthy Lives*, it contains comprehensive recommendations and calls for action to address the current obesity epidemic. That the CMOH's annual report addresses obesity specifically satisfies the first operative clause of aPHa resolution A04-6. [Please click here to read the Ministry press release and backgrounder.](#) [Click here to download the full report.](#)

September 10, 2004

Response received from the Ministry to the letter described below. [Please click here to read.](#) The response to A04-6 is on page 3.

July 21, 2004

Letter sent to Minister of Health George Smitherman, copied to CMOH Sheela Basrur and Premier Dalton McGuinty introducing Resolution # A04-6 and others for their attention. [Please click here to read.](#)