

2000 alPHa RESOLUTION NO. A00-1

TITLE: Federal Funding for Public Health

SPONSOR: Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Board of Health

WHEREAS you have heard from Richard Worzel, a well known futurist, that the Province will require an additional \$9.5 B for health care by 2017; and

WHEREAS the recently released Report on the Health Status of Residents of Ontario has called for

1. adequate resourcing of preventive programs
2. balancing the availability of treatment services with prevention efforts to reduce rates of disease,
3. early decisions so as to minimize impacts on our aging population because of the long lag time for chronic illness; and

WHEREAS the Government of Canada has indicated the availability of funding for additional treatment and care services in areas such as home care;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) calls on the Federal Government to establish a national program for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, establish national standards and provide 50% funding to Provinces for all new and expanded programs and services meeting such standards;

AND FURTHER that the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) calls on the Province of Ontario to immediately invest 1% of the projected added treatment cost of \$9.5 B to provide an additional \$95 M for the funding of public health agencies as the provincial share of new funding for public health activities;

AND FURTHER that the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) and all Ontario Boards of Health contact the Federal and Provincial Governments to support the enhancement of preventive services.

Action from Conference:

Moved: Brian MacKay (Toronto)

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