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Subject RE-ENTRY OPPORTUNITIES FOR CANADIAN FAMILY PHYSICIANS

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is offering 20 third-year family medicine re-entry positions and 20 specialty re-entry positions for currently practicing Canadian family practitioners. To be eligible you must be:

- i. a general practitioner/family physician who holds a current unrestricted certificate of registration for independent practice from your provincial College of Physicians and Surgeons; **AND**
- ii. have practiced in your home province for a minimum of 6 months.

Priority will be given to Ontario residents, however the program will be open to applicants outside of Ontario, but within Canada, as long as they will be eligible for registration with the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.

For the 20 family medicine positions, the ministry is interested in family physicians wishing to pursue one year of residency to acquire advanced skills in emergency medicine, anesthesia or care of the elderly. The ministry will also consider applications for third year family medicine programs in mental health, women's health, palliative care, special urban and rural needs, research skills, surgical skills and obstetrical skills, if the physician can document, satisfactorily, the need for these skills in specific rural/northern communities in Ontario.

For the 20 specialty positions, the ministry is interested in family physicians wishing to pursue residencies in general surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, general internal medicine, psychiatry, anesthesia, orthopedic surgery, diagnostic radiology, laboratory medicine, radiation oncology or community medicine. Specialty training will be for the duration necessary to meet the qualifications for Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada certifications. Other specialties may be considered if the applicant can provide evidence of a defined need in a specified community.

Physicians accepted for re-entry must return service in an under-serviced area, acceptable to the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. They will be required to sign contracts agreeing to

provide full-time service in an under-served area in Ontario upon completion of training.

The return of service commitment will be a minimum of 1 year for both family physicians and specialists. For family physicians it will be 1 year for 1-year length of training. For specialists it will be 2 years for 4 (or more) year's length of training, 2 years for 3 years length of training and 1 year for 2 years length of training.

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Re-entry positions will be available starting either January 1, 2002 or July 1, 2002 for the 2002/2003 academic year.

Physicians accepted may attend the Ontario medical school of their choice. This is conditional on the schools' capacity to provide positions in specific programs and meeting the schools' admission criteria.

If you are interested in the Re-entry Program, please contact the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care for an application package.

For an application package contact:

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Family physicians who wish to be considered for a re-entry position must submit their completed application package to the Provincial Health Services Planning Unit of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care by November 14, 2001 for the January 1, 2002 or July 1, 2002 start date. The MOHLTC will consider late applications. Late applications are to be submitted no later than March 30, 2002. Candidates will be contacted after one month of receiving application package in regards to the outcome of the competition.

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