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Dear Early Years and Child Care Partners,

We are working together to transform our child care and early years system into one of the best in the world.

As you know, the ministry recently posted regulatory proposals to support the proclamation of Bill 10, the Child Care Modernization Act, 2014. The deadline to submit your input and advice on the proposed regulations to the provincial Regulatory Registry was May 11, 2015.

I want to thank everyone who provided insight and feedback. This input will support the development of regulations related to:

- licensing clarity;
- enforcement;
- licensing standards; and
- special needs.

As previously noted, the legislation is not yet in effect and proclamation is not expected to happen before fall 2015. Also, we are planning an incremental and phased process to implement the provisions under the new act. This will support a smooth and gradual transition. I look forward to continuing to work with you as the legislation is proclaimed, and on future tiers of our regulatory work.

Thank you for your ongoing contributions, as we build a child care and early years system that is high-quality, seamless, and more accessible for Ontario’s children and families. Together, we are helping children across Ontario get the best possible start in life.

Sincerely,

Liz Sandals
Minister