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Mr. Shawn Turner
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Long Term Care and Seniors Branch
194 Eagle Street
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Re: Application for New Convalescent Care Program

Dear Mr. Turner:

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) has completed its evaluation of the applications received under the Call for Applications for the New Convalescent Care Program issued on February 23, 2005.

We are pleased to advise you that the MOHLTC will designate eleven (11) beds for the New Convalescent Care Program in York Region Newmarket Health Centre. Administrative details relating to your convalescent care beds will be sent from the MOHLTC regional office.

We are asking the LTCH administrator to call Sheila Ewing at 705-739-6605 at the MOHLTC regional office to arrange a follow-up meeting to finalize the service agreement's Amending Agreement to re-designate beds for the New Convalescent Care Program and to discuss the start-up time for the project.

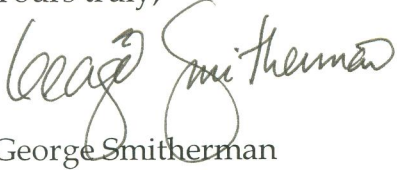
Some Regions that have remaining unassigned beds within the current allocations will be issuing a second call for applications. For specific information about the Central East Region, or if you have any questions about this letter, please contact Sheila Ewing at 705-739-6605.

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Mr. Shawn Turner

We thank you and your LTCH for addressing the need for convalescent care in your area.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Smitherman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "George" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Smitherman".

George Smitherman
Minister

c: Monique Smith, Parliamentary Assistant
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