

Rt. Hon Jean Chretien,
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
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September 8, 2003

Honourable Prime Minister,

RE: Resolutions from alPHa Annual Conference (June 8-10, 2003)

On behalf of member Medical Officers of Health, Boards of Health, and Affiliate organizations of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa), I am writing to introduce a Resolution endorsed this past June by our membership for consideration and anticipated action by your government. A copy is included for your information.

No. A03-2 Health Care Renewal and Prevention

As the renewal of health care has recently been carefully examined in several processes, the topics of disease prevention and healthy living have been consistently identified as key components of an effective system. Specific recommendations include the pursuit of a National Immunization Strategy and a commitment by all of Canada's Ministers of Health to continue work on the Pan-Canadian Healthy Living strategy. alPHa's members believe strongly in focussing upon prevention strategies and reducing disparities in health service provision as a cornerstone of the health care system as a whole.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue. We look forward to a reply at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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