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**ORAL QUESTION 105-18(2): Long-Term Care Program Review**

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Question you raised on March 2, 2016 regarding the Northwest Territories Long Term Care Program Review.

As identified in the Northwest Territories Long Term Care Program Review tabled on February 29, 2016, we will have to change the way we currently do business to find a sustainable solution. As I indicated in the House, I am committed to working with all Members to find a solution to our growing need for long term care beds.

The Department of Health and Social Services is working with the Departments of Public Works and Services and Finance to explore all options for acquiring the infrastructure needed to address our long term care needs, including the feasibility of delivering long term care services in the H.H. Williams Memorial Hospital. Once we have more information on the feasibility of the proposal I will update the Member accordingly.

Thank you.

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