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FRENCH LANGUAGE HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

The *Local Health System Integration Act* (LHSIA) requires the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to establish a French Language Health Services Advisory Council to advise the Minister on health and services delivery issues related to Francophone communities.

Associations named in the LHSIA regulation pertaining to the Council were asked to provide names of potential nominees for the Council. The final selection of members was made by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care.

The French Language Health Services Advisory Council will be chaired by Jean-Gilles Pelletier. M. Pelletier represents le Groupe Francophone de l'Association des centres de santé de l'Ontario (*Group of Francophone Community Health Centres of the Association of Ontario Health Centres*).

The other newly appointed members of the Council are:

- M. Marc Bédard ; M. Gérald Savoie; Mme Carmen Gauthier; Mme Nicole Lafrenière-Davis; M. Jean-Yves Lalonde; Dre Solange Mbamou; and Mme Nicole Ranger

Organizations represented on the Council include :

- l'Assemblée de la francophonie de l'Ontario (AFO) – *Association of Francophone Ontarians* ; la Fédération des aînés et des retraités francophones de l'Ontario (FAFO) – *Association of Ontario Francophone Seniors* ; l'Alliance des réseaux ontariens de santé en français (AROSF) – *Alliance of Francophone Health Networks* ; l'Association française des municipalités de l'Ontario (AFMO) – *French Association of Ontario Municipalities* ; l'Union Provinciale des Minorités Raciales et Ethnoculturelles Francophones de l'Ontario (UP-MREF) – *Provincial Organization of Racial and Ethnocultural Francophone Minorities of Ontario*; and le Regroupement des intervenantes et intervenants francophones en santé et en services sociaux de l'Ontario (RIFSSSO) – *Group of Health and Social Services Professionals*.

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