

Key Messages
Individual Hospital MFY
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Specific:

- Today's announcement builds on the progress that has been made in improving funding predictability for Ontario's hospitals.
- Predictable funding allows hospitals to better plan and work to meet patient care needs.
- That said, close attention must be paid to cost drivers such as inflation, growth in patient demand and patient volumes, and the potential cost of labour settlements, to ensure that hospitals have the resources necessary to continue to provide high-quality patient care.
- The OHA will continue working with the MOHLTC in the time ahead to protect patient care.

General:

- Today, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care released individual hospitals' operating funding planning information for the 2006/07, 2007/08 and 2008/09 fiscal years.
- This marks the second consecutive year in which the Ontario government has provided hospitals with multi-year planning and resource management information.
- Ontario's hospital sector is slated to receive \$13.35 billion in operating funding in 2006/07, \$13.9 billion in 2007/08 and \$14.5 billion in 2008/09. The figures released today confirm are consistent with those announced in the 2006/07 Ontario Budget when specialty mental health and private hospitals are included.
- The OHA understands that hospitals will receive additional information about their funding allocations in the time ahead.
- The OHA understands that the 2007/08 HAPS planning guide and HAA material will soon be provided to hospitals as well.