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June 29, 2022		174-2022-880
MEMORANDUM TO:	Chief Executive Officers, Ontario Public Hospitals Chief Regional Officers, Ontario Health	
FROM:	Peter Kaftarian Assistant Deputy Minister, Hospitals and Capital Division	
RE:	Hospital Incremental Expense Pro	ocess for 2022-23 Q2-Q4

In follow up to the memos sent on March 22 and 31, 2022 and consistent with the recent revocation of Directives (1, 2.1, 3, 4, 5) on June 11, 2022, I am writing to confirm that the claims-based reimbursement process for incremental COVID-19 operating and capital expenses will be discontinued, effective July 1, 2022. Hospitals with capital expenses incurred and paid by June 30, 2022 for which the delivery of goods are delayed may be eligible for reimbursement; these expenses should be reported as part of the June 2022 expense submission (reporting deadline of August 19, 2022). In these cases, hospitals require ministry approval and should seek further direction from their ministry capital contact.

The Ministry is committed to continue to support hospitals by providing one time funding in the 2022-23 Fiscal Year for Pandemic Prevention and Containment costs. This one time funding is intended to offset a portion of ongoing pandemic related operating expenses from July 1st, 2022 to March 31, 2023. Further information will follow related to this funding, however, it should be noted this will not be reimbursement-based funding.

Hospitals will continue to be provided operating funding for Vaccine Administration and Health Human Resources programs through existing processes in place.

For clarity, Health Human Resources programs referred to include:

- 1. Enhanced Extern Program
- 2. Medical Residents Redeployment Program (MRRP)
- 3. Clinical Preceptors
- 4. Ontario Workforce Reserve for Senior Support (OWRSS)
- 5. Supervised Practice Experience Partnership Program (SPEP)
- COVID-19 Temporary Summer Locum Program Expansion (CTSLPE) from June 1, 2022 – September 5, 2022

Incremental expenses data collection will continue for information purposes only, for the remainder of the 2022-23 fiscal year, with the process shifting from the current monthly reporting to quarterly reporting for Q2 to Q4. A revised expense reporting template will be provided to hospitals shortly, which will reflect this change.

2022-23 Q2-Q4 reporting is to be submitted on a quarterly basis with the following deadlines:

- Deadline for submission of 2022-23 Q2 (July, August, September) expenses is November 4, 2022;
- Deadline for submission of 2022-23 Q3 (October, November, December) expenses is February 3, 2023; and
- Deadline for submission of 2022-23 Q4 (January, February, March) expenses is May 5, 2023.

The Ministry will continue to work closely with OH and the OHA in the monitoring of the expense data and ensuring hospital surge capacity.

If you have any questions, please reach out to your OH Region or contact Hospitals Branch at <u>Hospitals.Branch-HSQFD@ontario.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Peter Kaftarian

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