

Presentation Name: Health Transformation in Ontario: A Federal Perspective

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Abstract:

In 2016, the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) is attempting to engage the Province in a deeper conversation about the future of our single-payer health care system. Alongside a “big tent” of multi-sector stakeholders, our Health Transformation Initiative is examining how re-orientation around the concepts of value and innovation can modernize Ontario health care.

The OCC brings a private-sector perspective to the health policy discussion, reflecting our diverse membership. Our interest is in ensuring that our health care system be fiscally sustainable while meeting evolving patient needs.

In this presentation, we will place a federal lens on the health transformation discussion in Ontario. How is Ontario a leader in health system reform, and what can it learn from other provinces? How can the federal government take the lead on health innovation, particularly as it relates to the growing health science sector? Canada’s health care system is, in some respects, considered part of our competitive advantage. What can we do to ensure that the system itself is competitive? Our speaker will examine these questions and discuss how Canada can tap into existing resources to make health care a national economic driver.