

July 2, 2015

To: Licensing and Standards Committee

From: Board of Health

Subject: **Infection Control Training and Certification of Personal Service Setting Workers – Item HL5.7**

Recommendation

The Board of Health forwards the report (June 12, 2015) from the Medical Officer of Health to the Licensing and Standards Committee for information.

Decision Advice and Other Information:

The Board of Health also:

1. Reiterated its request to the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to develop and implement mandatory infection prevention and control (IPAC) training and certification for personal services setting (PSS) workers across Ontario;
2. Requested the Medical Officer of Health to develop and pilot a voluntary infection prevention and control (IPAC) certificate program on a cost-recovery basis for personal services settings (PSS) workers for implementation in 2016;
3. Requested the Medical Officer of Health to report back to the Board of Health in early 2017 on the status of the voluntary infection prevention and control (IPAC) certificate program; and
4. Forwarded the report (June 12, 2015) from the Medical Officer of Health to the Interim Chief Medical Officer of Health, the Ministers of Health and Long-Term Care and Training, Colleges and Universities; Public Health Ontario; Ontario Public Health Association; Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health; Association of Local Public Health Agencies; the Ontario College of Trades; and the Association of Supervisors of Public Health Inspectors in Ontario.

Background

The Board of Health on June 29, 2015, considered a report (June 12, 2015) from the Medical Officer of Health on Infection Control Training and Certification of Personal Service Setting Workers.

Background Information

(June 12, 2015) Report and Appendix 1 from the Medical Officer of Health on Infection Control Training and Certification of Personal Service Setting Workers
(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2015/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-81512.pdf>)

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