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Keith Dewar  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region  
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Dear Mr. Dewar:

The Saskatchewan Cancer Agency is committed to providing safe, high quality pediatric oncology care and services in both Regina and Saskatoon. We recognize that the services available and the location of those services are important to families particularly as it relates to consolidating care at the Regina General Hospital for patients in the southern part of the province and we are supportive of enhancing and integrating services for children.

The Regina General Hospital has a long history of caring for pediatric patients, and patients have routinely been transferred as services required are only available at this facility. Integrating pediatric services will allow families and patients to access a single site for care. This is important not just for cancer patients but all children needing hospitalization. The integration of pediatric services will also allow us to move our services from the Pasqua Hospital and Allan Blair Cancer Centre to a space at the General Hospital. We believe that amalgamating pediatric care to the Regina General Hospital provides the opportunity for us to improve and expand services to assist both patients and family members.

We welcome the opportunity to remain engaged with your region to ensure the very best outcome of our combined efforts as we work to improve the care and experience of pediatric patients and their families.

Sincerely,



Scott Livingstone  
Chief Executive Officer



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VP Clinical Services and  
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