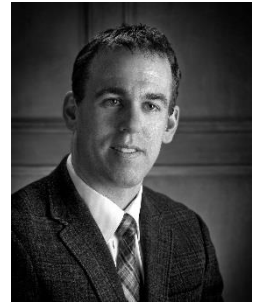

President's Letter

July 8, 2015



Jonathan Greenland, MD, CCFP
President

Seeking your input on health system sustainability

Dear Colleagues:

The Minister of Health and Community Services, Steve Kent, has invited the NLMA to meet with him in August to discuss the sustainability of the health system. Therefore, we are seeking input from our membership as a basis for a presentation to the Minister.

Every physician periodically observes inefficiency or waste in the health system. We would like to know more about your observations so that we can pull together a province-wide picture. The NLMA will also be looking at system-wide issues, but we want to gather practice or site-level observations from you to provide a balanced picture.

We ask that you send us your best examples of how funds can be saved or future costs avoided in the health system. There are two ways to provide input: 1) by sending an email to president@nlma.nl.ca; or 2) by filling out the survey form at the following link - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YPHB8FR>.

Your input can be as brief or as lengthy as you choose. All we ask is that you provide enough information for us to understand the issue or problem you are describing. The identification of sites, communities or disciplines is optional. And we are not asking you to suggest any changes that would reduce quality, safety or effectiveness of health services.

The deadline for this input is Friday, July 17, 2015.

Thank you for your time and interest in this topic.

Regards,



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