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MEMORANDUM TO: Chiefs of First Nations with Child Care Agreements
Child Care Administrators

FROM: Pam Musson
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DATE: December 14, 2012

SUBJECT: **New 2012-13 First Nations Child Care Supervisor
Network - Capacity Funding**

At the March 22-23, 2012 First Nations Gathering in Toronto, we heard how important it is for First Nations child care supervisors to have opportunities to network with other First Nations to share information, strategies, and resources and most importantly to support one another and learn from each other. We also heard that professional development is a priority for First Nations child care Supervisors and their staff. To that end, we are pleased to provide you with some additional one-time Child Care Supervisor Network - Capacity funding for 2012-13.

This funding is intended to support First Nations child care Supervisors and staff by providing funding to support transportation, meal and accommodation costs, equipment and technology to support supervisor network meetings, development and sharing of resources, mentoring by child care network leaders, professional development and training related to child care programming, business administration, and health and safety.

Your First Nation's allocation for Child Care Supervisor Network - Capacity funding is identified in the attached budget schedule on line A405- Child Care Supervisor Network - Capacity funding. This funding is now part of your 2012-13 child care allocation and must be spent by **March 31, 2013**.

As First Nations have flexibility in determining how to spend this new funding, you are encouraged to begin planning for the use of this funding as soon as possible.

Next Steps

Your Child Care Service Agreement Amendment **will be emailed to you within the coming weeks**. The Ministry will require two original signed and dated copies of the amendment by no later than **February 4, 2013** in order to flow this new funding in early March.

For First Nations that report in EFIS, this new funding will flow once the Ministry has received both your signed service agreement amendment and an active Revised Estimates EFIS submission (for First Nations that have not yet submitted) that was due on November 30, 2012. For First Nations that do not report in EFIS, this new funding will flow in March once the Ministry has received your signed service agreement amendment.

Your Child Care Advisor will follow-up with you shortly to discuss the enclosed materials with you and address any questions or concerns that you may have upon review of this memo.

We thank you again for your partnership in supporting children and families.

Original signed by

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