

August 12th, 2015

Ron Ensom 1858 Sharel Drive Ottawa, ON K1H 6W4

## RE: Endorsement of the Joint Statement

Dear Mr. Ensom,

As the Chief Executive Officer of Yellowknife Health & Social Services (YHSSA), I am pleased to write this letter to confirm our endorsements of the Joint Statement on Physical Punishment of Children and Youth.

The Joint Statement supports our organization's vision to have Healthy People, Healthy Families, and Healthy Communities. Also, our mission to work with people to optimize wellbeing through the provision of collaborative and culturally appropriate Health & Social Services.

We recognized the importance that every endorsement carries information to more Canadians about the adverse lifespan consequences for children and the societal harm associated with physical punishment.

Thank you inviting us to participate in this initiative.

If you require further information please don't hesitate to contact me at 1-867-873-7224.

Sincerely,

Les Harrison

Chief Executive Officer

Yellowknife Health & Social Services Authority