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The Honourable Christine Elliott
Minister of Health
5th Floor
777 Bay St.
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Dear Minister Elliott,

I am writing to you on behalf of constituents who have expressed concern that dental practices have not been included in Ontario's reopening plan.

Ontarians have gone months without seeing their dentists while continuing to do their part in order to flatten the curve of COVID-19. Although this was a prudent measure to limit the spread of COVID-19, as we begin to re-open the economy, the government needs to develop a plan to allow for the safe re-opening of dental practices.

While some emergency cases have been treated during the pandemic, many people had to live uncomfortably with pain and uncertainty around their dental health. Many Ontarians are in need of important dental services that are outside of the Ministry's definition of an emergency. If left untreated, these ailments could develop into serious issues.

I urge the Ministry to develop a detailed plan to safely re-open dental offices and communicate it clearly to Ontarians as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

John Fraser