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Mr. Fern Dominelli, CAO  
Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board  
210 Mead Boulevard  
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Dear Mr. Dominelli:

**RE: Best Start Allocations 2012-2013**

I am pleased to advise you that the fiscal year allocations for Best Start Planning have been finalized.

Your allotment for Best Start Planning for 2012/2013 is: \$16,000. Your Allotment for Aboriginal Best Start Planning for 2012/2013 is: \$14,100. Please note that an amendment to your contract reflecting these allocations will be sent to you in the near future.

The Ministry will be changing the way these funds are allocated starting in 2013/2014. More information about the new funding approach will be shared with communities shortly.

Communities should complete and submit the attached Aboriginal Initiatives Template describing planned activities to engage Aboriginal stakeholders, improve cultural awareness and strengthen services for Aboriginal children & their families. The Aboriginal Planning Guidelines (attached) provides more information about appropriate use of these funds.

If you require additional information, please contact Margie Bettiol at (807) 475-1437 or 1-800-465-5561 X1437.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandra Russell".

Sandra Russell  
Regional Program Manager/A  
North Region

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Attachment