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FROM: Martin Thumm
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RE: **Social Assistance Management System (SAMS)
Parallel Pilot Selection**

I would like to thank you for your interest in participating in the SAMS Parallel Pilot. I am pleased to announce that your site has been selected as one of the sites that will be participating in the Parallel Pilot.

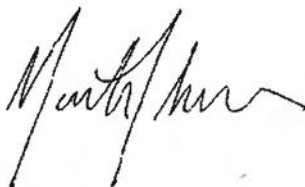
The project received an overwhelming response, with 60 sites expressing an interest in being a Parallel Pilot site. The number of responses is a strong indication of the commitment to the implementation of SAMS across the province. It also resulted in a difficult decision, as the Project has the capacity to support a maximum of only 20 sites for this pilot. As such, I would like to encourage you to reach out to other sites within your region during and after the Parallel Pilot to share your experiences.

In the coming weeks you will be provided with more details from the Project on the scope of the Parallel Pilot as well as information on site readiness, including training plans, and communication materials to support local communications.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact your local RCL or LCIC who will be happy to help you.

Again, thank you for your interest in the Parallel Pilot, and I look forward to working with you on this important activity.

Sincerely,



Martin Thumm