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**Memorandum To:** Licensed Child Care Operators and Home Child Care Agencies  
Children Services Managers, Consolidated Municipal Service Managers and District Social Services Administration Boards

**From:** Nancy Matthews  
Assistant Deputy Minister

**Date:** **May 19, 2016**

**Subject:** **2015 Licensed Child Care Survey Report**

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Last spring the Ministry of Education conducted its second survey of licensed child care centres and home child care agencies. We had an unprecedented response, with over 4,500 of child care centres and 114 of home child care agencies completing the survey – a completion rate of 90%! Thank you to all operators that participated in this important survey. This very high response rate speaks to the strong commitment in the child care community to working in partnership with us to provide high quality child care to children and families across Ontario.

In 2012, the information the ministry gathered through the first licensed child care survey was invaluable in building our understanding of the child care sector. The information was used to support the development of policies and program including the [Ontario Early Years Policy Framework, 2013](#); the [Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014](#) and the [Wage Enhancement and Home Child Care Enhancement Grant](#). The 2015 survey has been important in providing an up-to-date picture of child care in Ontario and enhancing our understanding of how child care supports families throughout the province. This information will help the ministry to continue to develop evidence-based policies, programs and resources to build a safer, higher quality, and more accessible system.

The [2015 Licensed Child Care Survey Report](#) includes the aggregated provincial results for key areas; including wages, fees, subsidies and hours; regional profiles (all centres and agencies) and Francophone regional profiles (all French-language centres). In areas where a small number of centres or agencies exist, results were not included in order to help protect privacy.

Thank you again for your participation and for your continued dedication and commitment to providing child care in Ontario. Together, we are helping Ontario's children get the best possible start in life. I look forward to continuing our strong and ongoing partnership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nancy Matthews". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "N" and "M".

Nancy Matthews  
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