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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support for Item 4.6 on Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Hello,

I wish to add this submission to the 6th Meeting of the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 for item 4.6 – Councillor D. Ferreira – Advocacy Request – For-Profit Addiction Treatment in Ontario.

I believe evidence has clearly demonstrated that we are in strong need of addressing the current delivery model of certain addiction treatment and prescribing practices operating in Ontario, and the negative impacts experienced here in London.

We desperately need a model that is publicly administered, grounded in patient outcomes, and built around a true continuum of care. This means we need to fund a program that has a clear pathway for individuals at every stage, from initial access, to medically supervised detoxification, to treatment, aftercare, and long-term supports that help people stabilize and move forward.

The current approach is far too fragmented and too often driven by profit-based motives, rather than patient outcomes. We need a system that provides consistent, integrated care focused on recovery, not one that leaves gaps between services or relies on ongoing use to sustain itself.

Please support item 4.6 and be the change we need to see in this ongoing opioid epidemic and unhouse crisis.

Thank you,

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