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Mr. David O'Toole  
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Dear Mr. O'Toole:

**Re: Letter of support for CIHI to work with the Canadian Cardiovascular Society for pan-Canadian cardiovascular quality indicator reporting**

I am offering this letter of support for the continuation of the work that that the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI) has been doing with the Canadian Cardiovascular Society (CCS) in developing and reporting pan-Canadian cardiovascular quality indicators.

Thank you for your commitment to quality in the delivery of cardiovascular care through the Data Definitions and Development of Quality Indicators project/Quality Project.

I understand that Cardiac Services BC – our provincial agency responsible for funding, evaluating and monitoring adult tertiary cardiac care, is involved in the national CIHI and CCS endeavour and has offered their ongoing support both through participation and through adoption of national indicators into their quality framework.

As a province, we remain committed to work such as this and are supportive of this national endeavour.

Sincerely,

Steve Brown  
Deputy Minister

pc: Ms. Ann Ferguson, CEO, Canadian Cardiovascular Society  
Ms. Pam Aikman Ramsay, Interim Provincial Executive Director, Cardiac Services BC