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Dear Mr. Ellis,

Thank you for your letter about mental health and for the opportunity to tell you about some of the many ways *changebook* proposes to put Ontario patients at the centre of our public health care system.

For all you pay in taxes, you should be getting the best care in the country. Yet Dalton McGuinty wasted over \$1 billion on the eHealth boondoggle and \$300 million on massive new LHIN bureaucracies that don't provide a single minute of care. We need change to stop the scandals, the waste and the secret deals.

Ontario's health system is struggling to meet the demands of its aging population. Nearly a million Ontario families still don't have a family doctor and are having to wait up to 25 hours in emergency rooms in order to get the care they need. And wait times for seniors needing long-term care or home care are even worse; at 173 days or higher.

This election Dalton McGuinty is offering more of the same.

An Ontario PC government will introduce a series of patient centered reforms that make the patient, not bureaucracies or administrators, the focus of our health system. This is especially important for people who have a mental illness and too often get lost in the system. Health care will be our number one spending priority, and we will grow annual investments by more than \$6 billion by the end of our first term. We will improve health care for Ontario seniors with 40,000 long-term care beds and will bring more doctors to the communities that need them. We will establish wait time guarantees for emergency room visits and will give seniors more control over their home care services. And we will introduce a rigorous system of patient satisfaction and health outcome measures.

It's time to bring services into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and put you at the centre of service delivery.

To read more about the change we are proposing for Ontario patients, I encourage you to visit [www.changebook.ca](http://www.changebook.ca) and to contact your local Ontario PC Candidate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Hudak".

Tim Hudak  
Ontario PC Leader

