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Ms. Christine Gaitens, CYW, B.A. CYC (Cert.) CYC-P  
President of the Board  
Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care  
c/o The School of Child and Youth Care  
Ryerson University  
350 Victoria Street  
Toronto, ON M5B 2K3

Dear Ms. Gaitens:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of the Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care (OACYC) regarding of the impact of the Psychotherapy Act on mental health services to young people. I appreciate the time you took to share your concerns with me.

While matters relating to the Psychotherapy Act do not fall directly within my area of responsibility, they are issues that are important to me. Therefore, I am taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to my colleagues the Honourable Michael Coteau, Minister of Children and Youth Services and the Honourable Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, as well as a copy of my response, and I trust that they will also be able to give careful consideration to your comments.

Thank you again for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura Albanese".

Laura Albanese  
Minister

c: The Honourable Michael Coteau  
The Honourable Dr. Eric Hoskins