

THIS SERVICE ACCOUNTABILITY AGREEMENT effective as of July 1, 2010

BETWEEN:

NORTH EAST LOCAL HEALTH INTEGRATION NETWORK (the "LHIN")

AND

WEST NIPISSING GENERAL HOSPITAL (the "HSP")

IN RESPECT OF:

West Nipissing General Hospital located at
725 Coursol Road, Sturgeon Falls, ON, P2B 2Y6 (the "Home")

Background:

Ontarians believe in public accountability and transparency to demonstrate that the health system is governed and managed in a way that reflects the public interest and that promotes continuous quality improvement and efficient delivery of high quality health services to all Ontarians. To this end, the government of the Province of Ontario, through the enactment of the Local Health System Integration Act ("LHSIA") made local health integration networks accountable to the Minister for the performance of local health systems and their health services, including access to services and the utilization, co-ordination, integration and cost-effectiveness of services.

The HSP owns and operates the Home pursuant to the authority of a licence or an approval issued under the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007* (the "Act").

The LHIN is the local health integration network responsible for the planning, funding and integration of health care services in the area in which the Home is located. Recognizing the important role played by the HSP in the provision of health services within the LHIN, and the LHIN's dependence on the HSP's continuing performance to enable the LHIN to meet its accountabilities to the Minister, the LHIN wishes to provide funding to the HSP to enable it to operate the Home. By law, the LHIN is required to enter into a service accountability agreement that enables it to meet its obligations under LHSIA, with all health service providers that it proposes to fund.

This Agreement is a service accountability agreement. It sets out the terms on which the LHIN will provide funding to the HSP and the performance obligations of the HSP in return for that funding. It promotes continuous quality improvement and the efficient delivery of high quality health services to all Ontarians and it reflects Ontario's quality transformation agenda currently underway in the long term care home service sector.

