

## **AMO Opposes Proposed Changes to Public Health System**

The government is considering far reaching changes to the public health system based on recommendations made by the Expert Panel on Public Health in their report – [Public Health within an Integrated Health System](#), which was released on July 20, 2017.

After careful consideration by AMO's Board of Directors and our Health Task Force, AMO does not support the recommendations of the Expert Panel on Public Health and [urges](#) the government not to adopt them.

If the Expert Panel recommendations are implemented, it will completely change and dilute over time the mandate of the local public health system by integrating it with the health care system. There was no analysis provided by either the Expert Panel or the Ministry on the implications of this proposed integration from either a patient, program/service, or cost benefit analysis perspective. Further information on AMO's analysis is found in the attached [briefing note](#).

AMO is encouraging municipal leaders and councils to review the report and voice their opposition to Minister Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, and local MPP's.