



Province of Manitoba

LEADER OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION

Honourable Heather Stefanson
Premier of Manitoba
204-450 Broadway
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December 21, 2022

Dear Premier Stefanson:

I am writing you today with regard to the Manitoba Clinic and its current situation. As you are no doubt aware, the Manitoba Clinic has been granted creditor protection while it undergoes restructuring. The Manitoba Clinic is critical for primary care and specialist referral as thousands of Manitobans use this facility every year. The facility is close to the Health Sciences Centre and accessible for many residents in downtown Winnipeg.

Public reporting indicates your government has declined to act to avoid a potential termination of services. Any disruption or disorderly unwinding of services at the Manitoba Clinic would be hurt health care for thousands of Manitobans. Even now, some doctors and other medical professionals are leaving the Manitoba Clinic due to the instability. Many of these physicians are moving out of the downtown area which means residents will no longer have access to primary care services close to their doors. What's more, the Health Sciences Centre and Children's Hospital would no longer be able to partner with this important medical centre should it close its doors.

I urge you to take swift action. It would be unacceptable should services close or be disrupted at the Manitoba Clinic. A remedy needs to be found to ensure this facility continues to provide health care services for all Manitobans.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

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