

# Petition for funding of supervised consumption service sites and consumption and treatment service sites



Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario

To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

**Whereas** the government has a responsibility to ensure the health and safety of ALL Ontarians;

**Whereas** the drug poisoning tragedy results in the deaths of almost 10 Ontario residents per day – a total of 3,753 deaths in 2023;

**Whereas** supervised consumption service sites (SCS) and consumption and treatment service sites (CTS) reduce deaths, injuries, hospitalizations, emergency room visits and the incidence of HIV and hepatitis;

**Whereas** SCSs/CTSs provide a gateway to supportive services, including addiction treatment;

**Whereas** communities across Ontario have been waiting months to years for final approval of their CTS applications; and

**Whereas** SCSs in Windsor and Sudbury have been forced to close due to provincial delays in assessing their CTS applications:

**Therefore, we the undersigned, petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario to**

- Immediately provide funding to re-open the SCSs in Windsor and Sudbury,
- immediately provide funding to keep the SCS open in Timmins,
- expedite approvals process for all outstanding CTS applications, and
- fund SCS sites for every community in the province in need.

Name (printed)	Signature	Address (including postal code)	City	Email	Phone number

Provide original hard copies to your local MPP or to: to Ann-Marie Morris, coordinator of RNAO's Policy Department c/o Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO), 500-4211 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON, M2P 2A9