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The Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council (HPRAC) was established in 1993 as an advisory body to the Ontario Minister of Health and Long-Term Care on matters related to the regulation of health professions in Ontario. For example, we provide the Minister with advice on the regulation or deregulation of health professions, the scope of practice of health professions, or any suggested amendments to the Regulated Health Professions Act (RHPA), 1991.

HPRAC is currently in the process of reviewing the scope of practice of optometry and I am writing as Chair to inquire if your DHC has any information relevant to this review. Specifically, has your Council heard concerns expressed about the availability of eye care services in your District? If so, what was the nature of those concerns? Please note that we are not requesting that you undertake any community studies or consultations. We would simply like to know whether this subject has been an issue in your area.

We would appreciate receiving your response before December 10th, 1999. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Deanne Montesano, Policy Analyst, at (416) 326-1554.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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