Dear MPPs,

Your constituents have written to you repeatedly; we have written to you. When will you listen?

Here is a constituent's letter to her MPP/Attorney General Madeleine Meilleur that we hope you will take action on.

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Attorney-General Madeleine Meilleur/MPP Ottawa Vanier Constituency Office
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Dear Madame Meilleur:

re: your response dated September 6, 2015—alternative therapies

As not only an MPP, but the Attorney-General of Ontario, you should be acutely aware that the Supreme Court of Canada has repeatedly upheld the right of all Canadians to medical autonomy.

You should also be aware that our Constitution mandates that all legislation be supported with clear evidence that any legislation that imposes on personal liberties be fully justified, and that false pretense, especially when it is used to harm another, is a criminal offence. Legislation for the purposes of monopolization is unlawful.

Study after study have proven holistic, traditional, spiritual care, energy and body therapies to be safe, effective and affordable, with not one incident of death or disability (source: Fraser Institute studies). This shows the psychotherapy legislation in question to be fraudulent.

Given the excellent safety record of holistic services in Canada, I was quite astounded to receive your advisement that the provincial Liberal government has essentially wiped its feet on our Canadian Constitution by giving the representatives of six regulatory and unaccountable Colleges carte blanche to decide for Ontarians what healthcare 'treatment they can 'expect to receive', even when we are paying out-of-pocket for them.

I was also quite astonished to read your claims that "*our government is putting patients first*" and "*Ontario respects alternative health therapies and the diverse population interested in different traditions of health care*", when in fact you and your colleagues are turning Ontario into an extremely dangerous healthcare dictatorship.

You and your colleagues are free to choose deadly drugs and other medical procedures if you like; the rest of us are entitled by law to avoid such approaches to healthcare. As healthcare cuts increase and people are routinely forced into life-long addictions to psychiatric drugs and pain medications, people must have readily available options.

Government regulation has never ensured safety or high standards and has never 'put patients first', and as with this psychotherapy legislation, "they are routinely told what treatments to expect" regardless of what they want.

Your preferred, 'regulated' system has now become the #1 killer and disabler of North Americans, with the medical/pharmaceutical structure creating 5-6 times more drug addicts annually than street drug pushers. Now that they are drugging newborns by the thousands with brain-damaging psychiatric drugs, should your focus not be on protecting children from greed and abuse by the medical establishment instead, if your intention is to put patients first?

For your information, contrary to your claim that "*a significant amount of this work required awareness building and consultation with stakeholders*", the fact is that the public, affected practitioners, MPPs and even those who referred to themselves as "psychotherapists" in 2006 were not invited to discussions about this legislation. Many of those in attendance noted that this legislation violated personal liberties and still today, there is no consensus.

The monopolization of healthcare in the hands of a few, ruled by offshore pharmaceutical and chemical companies, is healthcare suicide.

As your government cuts more and more from the 'free healthcare' system, and as Big Pharma increases it drug prices--including on their addictive psychiatric and pain drugs, in a full-on display of greed at its worst--it is imperative that low-cost, effective, safe and humane non-drug therapies are available to the victims.

Never in its history was psychotherapy ever a profession. In fact, in recent articles in Psychology Today, it is referred to as a 'failed' approach taken over by drug advocates, and unlikely to ever revive.

Yet, secretly and magically, in Ontario in 2006, it became a profession overnight. To justify this charade, psychologists went about appropriating and unilaterally redefining all manner of natural approaches that some 10,000 holistic healthcare professionals and spiritual care workers use daily as 'psychotherapeutic techniques'!

Further, the then Minister of Health's own advisors stated the controlled act of psychotherapy was NOT VIABLE. Yet, instead of repealing this 'disorder of justice', and in violation of the Constitution, which mandates that all legislation be supported with clear evidence that such legislation is required in the first place, dangerous conventional medical treatments and drugs have been given free reign, while safe and effective and increasingly preferred holistic treatments have been targeted for elimination by your government.

In addition, according to the latest Fraser Institute Study, economic growth in Ontario has severely stalled, disposable household income has sunk like a lead balloon to well below the national average, and Ontario's unemployment rate has been higher than the national average EVERY YEAR since 2006.

Despite these facts, some 10,000 holistic practitioners who pay taxes in this province and who generate some $7-10 billion annually in out-of-pocket expenditures on healthcare by the public, thereby saving the healthcare system serious monies, are being forced out of work.

Madame Meilleur, please advise why your government is forcing innocent people to go to Court to enforce their Constitutional rights.

Please advise specifically as to what you personally have done to help your holistic industry constituents' in Ottawa-Vanier to continue to practice their chosen modalities in the face of this assault on their personal liberties and those of their clients.

If you claim that this legislation is to 'protect' the public, then please provide study results and documentation showing exactly how and to what extent alternatives treatments are dangerous, and the same information for psychiatric and long talk therapy approaches.

Please also explain how those (psychologists and psychiatrists) advocating a failed approach to mental health (psychotherapy), are superior to and equipped to assess those very natural, mind-body-spirit approaches they have demeaned incessantly for almost 100 years.

I remind you that Stop Psychotherapy Takeover has sent the CRPO a detailed letter with specific questions that must be sufficiently addressed, if one is to avoid running afoul of the law. There has not been so much as an acknowledgement of receipt from CRPO, despite it being sent by fax and post on September 3, 2015. I trust you will look into this failure in duty of care by the CRPO as well. Request for information CRPOSept2015.pdf

I look forward to your early response.

Sincerely,

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