



June 8, 2016

Hon. Victor Boudreau  
Minister of Health  
P.O. Box 6000  
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Dear Minister Boudreau:

Few departments have such universal impact on the entirety of our population and I have a number of issues I would like to discuss:

- Wait times in hospital emergency rooms are extraordinary. It has been said that improving wait times is not a priority, because it would draw more people to emergency rooms. When I hear from constituents who have spent 13 hours, suffering in the ER, that logic is unacceptable to me. Better care for New Brunswickers should always be the priority.
- I would like to speak with you about the possible privatization of the management of our extra-mural system.
- In this government's platform and more recently in the 2016-2017 Health Budget, there has been a commitment to integrate midwives into our health system. I hope that you will place a renewed emphasis on fulfilling these commitments for the women and families of New Brunswick, who have been waiting nearly a decade for this service.

I would be happy to speak with you in more detail on these issues and any others if you so desire.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Coon".

David Coon,  
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Leader, Green Party of New Brunswick