



October 6, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister:

On behalf of the country's 7,000 psychologists who are members of the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA), I am writing to congratulate you on your recent re-election.

We commend you, and the leaders of the other national sitting political parties, for having identified a number of pressing public policy issues the country needs to address. Chief among these is the importance of investing in expanded and timely access to mental health care programs and services. Now, more than ever, the people of Canada need ready access to care.

As the national voice that represents the largest group of specialized, regulated mental health care professionals in this country, we look forward to working with you and all Parliamentarians, to accelerate the innovations in mental health system delivery that move beyond hospitals and physicians and improve timely access to the evidence-based mental health care the people of Canada need.

Your leadership will be critical in moving the conversation forward Mr. Prime Minister. We look forward to working with you and are glad to contribute our on-the-ground clinical and policy expertise at any time. I can be reached at [kcohen@cpa.ca](mailto:kcohen@cpa.ca).

Best wishes for a successful session in Parliament.

Sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

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