



May 15, 2015

Dear Employment Ontario Service Providers,

I am writing to inform you of a change in the delivery of the Ontario Self-Employment Benefit program (OSEB).

As you know, the ministry is committed to delivering high quality services in the most cost effective way. In order to ensure funding is targeted to those who need it most and achieves the best possible client outcomes, the ministry will be discontinuing the OSEB program.

Earlier today the ministry made calls to the OSEB Coordinators to let them know that their organizations will not be offered a new agreement to deliver OSEB upon the expiry of their current 2015-2016 agreements. We ask that you now end all client referrals to OSEB. The OSEB program and all related services will cease, as of March 31, 2016.

Clients can access entrepreneurship support through services funded by the Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure and delivered through their [Small Business Enterprise Centres \(SBECs\)](#). The SBECs offer entrepreneurial tools and supports to assist clients start and grow a business.

I would like to thank you once again for your continued work in supporting Ontarians re-entry to the labour market.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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