

ALLIANCE CANADIENNE POUR MALADIE MENTALE ET LA SANTÉ MENTALE

MEDIA STATEMENT

RE: Take the Money & Run? Provinces & Territories Must be More Accountable Using Federal Funding for Mental Health & Substance Use Health Care Services

(OTTAWA, December 18, 2024) - As a point of clarification, the CAMIMH report *Take the Money and Run* has reviewed how the provinces and territories planned to spend two envelopes of federal funding over the next three years (2023/24-2025/26). The first is the 2017 funding for mental health and addictions, and the second via the 2023 Working Together to Improve Health Care in Canada agreement. While our analysis reflects the numbers reported as part of the bi-lateral agreements released in 2023, we recognize that the provinces and territories, in real time, may choose to allocate funding to their own respective priorities, including mental health and substance use health care.

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About CAMIMH

Established in 1998, the Canadian Alliance on Mental Illness and Mental Health (CAMIMH) is a member-driven alliance of 18 national mental health organizations comprised of healthcare providers and organizations representing persons with lived and living experience, their families and caregivers. CAMIMH's mandate is to ensure that mental health and substance use health is placed on the national agenda so that the people of Canada receive timely and appropriate access to care and support. For more information on our work, please visit our website at <u>www.CAMIMH.ca.</u>

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