## Regional Council Delegation

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Vision – Caring communities working together for children, youth and families

Mission – Inspiring hope by leading in the deliver of high quality mental health services

The Region of Peel is home to 343,000 (12%) of Ontario's child and youth population birth to age 19.





1 in 5 face mental health challenges.

In Peel, 68,000 children and youth face a mental health challenge.

Less than 1 in 3 will access services.<sup>1</sup>

- Peel receives \$22.3 M for child and youth mental health
- Toronto receives \$133.3 M for child and youth mental health 6 times more than Peel Region per capita
- Provincial average \$66.6 M for child and youth mental health 3 times more than Peel Region per capital
- Peel has one of the longest wait times for child and youth mental health services 737 days
- Peel Children's Centre has more than 550 children/youth < 18 waiting for Counselling Services</li>



## Call to Action

- Children and youth in Peel Can't Wait
- Children and youth in Peel Shouldn't Wait
- Children, youth and families in Peel deserve a funding formula that is:
  - Fair
  - Population-based
  - Recognizes the Social Determinants of Health

In face of COVID-19, never before have all levels of government and the public been so focused and open to supporting mental health

Let's work on the root cause while we continue to collaborate, innovate, integrate







