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Dr. Karim Kurji  
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Community and Health Services Department  
Public Health Branch  
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Dear Dr. Kurji,

Thank you for the submission from the Public Health Branch, Regional Municipality of York for certification at the Gold level in the *Excellence, Innovation and Wellness*® (EIW) Standard.

The levels of the EIW program are progressive in scope, designed so that organizations can be externally recognized at different levels, which reinforces and assists in sustaining a focus on excellence, innovation and wellness.

We are pleased to inform you that the Public Health Branch has achieved CAE Gold certification in *Excellence, Innovation and Wellness*®. Many of the activities noted in the submission, and verified on-site, are most commendable. A report with high level comments on our findings will be sent to you in the next couple of weeks. We would be happy to discuss the findings with your team, so please do not hesitate to contact us.

An *Excellence, Innovation and Wellness*® certificate for the Gold level will be prepared and sent to your attention. The Public Health Branch will be presented with the Gold award (trophy) at the *Canada Awards for Excellence*, which will be held at The Carlu in Toronto on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. More information about the event will be provided soon. Please contact Bonita Savard at Excellence Canada (416-251-7600 ext. 233) for any follow up questions you may have.

Please extend our congratulations to everyone at the Public Health Branch on this fine achievement!

Sincerely,

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Senior Vice President

cc Cathy Jaynes, Director Healthy Living Division  
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