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**Minister Beverly Fullerton, PMC Meeting February 23, 2026:**

### **Bridge Funding Secured to Support Citizens Accessing Mental Health Programs**

Métis Nation–Saskatchewan (MN–S) Minister of Health & Mental Health and Addictions, Beverly Fullerton, says the impact of recent funding cuts to MN–S mental health supports has been heard clearly from citizens.

“We’ve heard our citizens loud and clear: the cuts to our mental health supports program have had a devastating impact on those accessing these services,” said Minister Fullerton.

The federally funded initiative is set to sunset on March 31, 2026. MN–S has continued efforts to secure alternative funding sources to sustain the program in the short term while pursuing long-term solutions.

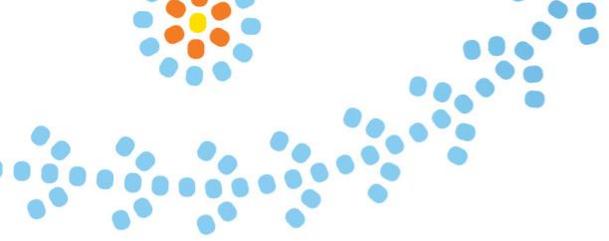
This morning, it was confirmation that reimbursement funding will be provided by the federal government for mental health dollars previously transferred to support MN–S emergency response efforts in Summer 2025. This reimbursement will serve as bridge funding to ensure continuity of care for citizens currently accessing mental health programs.

The Ministry of Mental Health has been directed to contact program participants directly to outline next steps and provide clarity on continued support.

Minister Fullerton underscored the broader context of the announcement.

“This moment highlights the importance of self-determination and securing a self-government agreement,” she said. “We must be able to design and deliver programs for our citizens, supported by sustainable funding that reflects our Nation’s priorities.”

Sincerely,



Beverly Fullerton  
MN-S Minister of Health, Mental Health and Addictions

