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Dr. Richard Stanwick  
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Dear Dr. Stanwick:

**RE: Canadian Pediatric Society's (CPS) Statement on Tanning**

At the recent meeting of the Urban Public Health Network (UPHN) on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 the group considered the Canadian Pediatric Society's Statement on tanning which bans children and youth under the age of 18 years from commercial tanning facilities.

The CPS is to be congratulated on its leadership on this issue which has been given priority nationally in many jurisdictions. Several provinces have passed legislation either provincially or at the municipal level as awareness increases about the harmful effects of underage tanning. Work continues through public education and with the tanning industry to ensure compliance with the age restriction.

The Urban Public Health Network is pleased to support the CPS Statement on Tanning and look forward to continued collaboration on this important public health issue.

Yours sincerely,

On behalf of the UPHN

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