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**To:** Taipalus, Madison (SPAC/PSPC); Parmar, Dovejot (SPAC/PSPC)  
**Subject:** FW: KIDS CAN'T WAIT! Joint Statement from Children First Canada and the Council of Champions  
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**From:** Sara Austin [mailto:saustin@childrenfirstcanada.com]  
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**To:** Anand, Anita (SPAC/PSPC) <anita.anand@canada.ca>  
**Subject:** KIDS CAN'T WAIT! Joint Statement from Children First Canada and the Council of Champions

Dear Minister Anand,

I am writing on behalf of Children First Canada (CFC) and our Council of Champions which include the 13 children's hospitals and several national children's charities and research institutes. We appreciate your leadership and commitment to improving the safety and security of children and their families, and so we wanted to share our Joint Statement calling on the federal government to move quickly and put the right resources in place to ensure that Canada's kids receive the care and support they need at this most challenging time.

Children and families have been significantly impacted by school and daycare closures, extracurricular activity and social supports and programming. Since the outset of the pandemic, we have been working with the Federal government to address these challenges and we are encouraged by the announcement made to date, however, not enough has been done. **We hope we can count on your support for this call to action.**

Further details on the efforts of Children First Canada and the Council of Champions can be found on our website <https://childrenfirstcanada.org/> and on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

I would like to thank you for your time and efforts, and please do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions or wish to discuss further with me.

Sincerely,

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