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Oral Question 443-18(2): Staff Recruitment for New Sahtu Regional Health Facility

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Question you raised on November 2nd, 2016 regarding staff recruitment for the new Sahtu Regional Health Facility.

As I mentioned in the House, the exact number and types of positions for the Sahtu Regional Health Facility are still not finalized. A number of positions for the facility are being considered, including Clerks, Cooks and Cooks' Helpers, Registered Nurses, Registered Nurses Coordinator for Long-Term Care, Residential Care Aids, Housekeeping/laundry workers, and Regional Manager of Facility Operations. It is our intention to support as much training for local people to fill these positions. The earliest competition for positions would commence would be late summer or early fall of 2017, and I would be happy to provide updates as final decisions on staffing are made.

With regard to the Associate Chief Operating Officer (COO) – Sahtu training opportunity, the advertisement is now posted on the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) Careers site (eRecruit). The deadline for applications is November 18, 2016. The confidentiality of the staffing process must be respected while the competition is in process, but as mentioned, I will be happy to share the successful candidate's name once it is appropriate to do so. We hope through this program we will be able to identify and train a suitable local individual who can take over the COO role, as we have done in other Northwest Territories regions.

Thank you.

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