

INFOBulletin

Keeping health care providers informed of payment, policy or program changes

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Re: Changes to the Ontario Health Card

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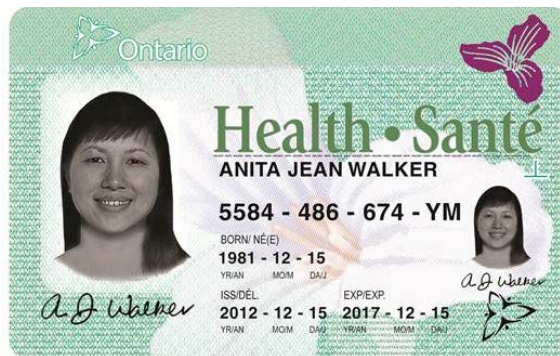
The purpose of this INFOBulletin is to advise all health service providers about changes to the Ontario health card.

Key Information:

- The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (ministry) has decided not to show sex designation on the health card.
- Health cards produced after June 13, 2016 will not have sex designation printed on the face of the card.
- Sex designation will remain on the ministry's database and on the health card's magnetic stripe.

As of June 13, 2016, health service providers will begin seeing this new version of the health card.

All previous versions of the health card will remain in circulation and continue to be acceptable documents. Health services providers should continue to validate all health cards at the time of service using existing validation processes.



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