

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding food allergies in Canada. Rest assured that the Liberal Party considers the prevalence of food allergies in Canada to be a public health priority, and understands that prevention, management and public awareness of such allergies are critical to protecting the health and safety of those affected.

The Liberal government has been both responsive and proactive to the concerns of those suffering from food allergies, for example: creating urgent temporary access to epinephrine auto-injectors injectors when faced with a shortage in 2018, and updating the Food and Drug Regulations in May 2019 to be more accurate with respect to labelling of beer products. We know that measures such as these have greatly impacted the lives of allergy sufferers.

The Liberal Party has made numerous commitments in the 2019 platform that pertain to the health of Canadians. We have committed to taking the next steps to implementing national universal pharmacare. Through the creation of a new Canada Drug Agency, issues such as drug supply and critical drug shortages can be more easily addressed. Furthermore, the Liberal Party has committed to advancing negotiations with provincial and territorial partners to arrive at new health accords to ensure access to primary health care for all Canadians, regardless of where they live.

If re-elected, we will continue to prioritize health matters, and look forward to continuing to collaborate on initiatives that better the lives of Canadians who suffer from food allergies.

Thank you for your interest and our apologies for the delay in replying to you.

Best regards,

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