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Dear Mr. Cornfield:

Thank you for your letter of February 2nd outlining the resolution adopted by the Comox Strathcona Regional Hospital (CSRHD) relating to Island Health's budget.

Earlier in the fiscal year Island Health was forecasting a small deficit. This is not unusual part way through the year, as there are significant pressures we are constantly managing. However, through the hard work of our staff and leadership, we are now pleased to report that we are forecasting a balanced budget by March 31, 2017. This is primarily the result of pausing on some initiatives until next year, and better than expected results on our long term disability experience. There have been no service cuts, nor do we anticipate any.

Once again, thank you for writing and for the CSRHD's ongoing support of the North Island Hospitals project.

Sincerely,



Don Hubbard
Board Chair

cc: The Honourable Terry Lake, Minister of Health
Don McRae, MLA, Comox Valley
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