



## **HEALTH CARE, PHARMACARE, DENTAL CARE**

### **Liberals**

- Launch of Ontario Drug and Dental Program (ODDP) in summer 2019 for individuals and families lacking drug and dental coverage.
- ODDP would reimburse 80% of drug (4,400+ drugs covered) and dental expenses, up to a total of \$400 for singles and \$600 for couples, plus \$50 per child.
- Drugs for seniors covered fully by OHIP+ starting in August 2019.
- \$822 additional million investment in hospitals and infrastructure (4.6% increase) and \$300 million for nurses in Long Term Care facilities.

### **NDP**

- Pharmacare plan for all Ontarians covering 125 common drugs by 2020.
- Requirement that employers either provide minimum dental benefits to workers and families or sign up for Ontario Benefits, an employee-employer contribution plan.
- Those earning less than \$30,000 will have Ontario Benefits contributions refunded.
- Public dental coverage will be extended to seniors without benefits as well as Ontarians on social assistance.
- \$19 billion investment in hospital over 10 years.

### **PCs**

- 30,000 new long-term care beds over next 10 years.
- Commitment to end 'hallway medicine' but no details.
- Cutting provincial income taxes to as little as 0% to doctors who move to Northern Ontario towns.

### **Greens**

- Implement universal pharmacare and dental care programs; no details provided.
- Support for public health care system; no details provided.



## **CHILD CARE**

### **Liberals**

- Free full-day child care for children aged 2.5 to Kindergarten/4 years.
- Estimated to save families \$17,000 per child, per year.
- Child care will be licensed and a new wage grid will be introduced for workers at licensed facilities.
- Program would begin in 2020.
- Creation of 4,200 new subsidized child care spots.

### **NDP**

- Introduction of infant/toddler care by 2019-20 and preschoolers by 2020-21.
- Free for households earning \$40,000 or less. Others pay on a sliding scale, according to income; average cost will be around \$12 per day.
- Child care will be run by licensed, not-for-profit care.

### **PCs**

- Tax rebate per child to cover licensed operators, babysitters, nannies, etc.
- Low income families get 75 percent back, up to \$6,750.

### **Greens**

- Increase funding for licensed child care; no details.
- Phase in funding for free daycare for working parents with kids under 3.



## **PRIVATIZATION**

### **Liberals**

- No plan to reverse privatization of Hydro One and OLG facilities.
- No commitment to reduce privatization initiatives.
- Continued use of P3 model in infrastructure projects.

### **NDP**

- Return control of Hydro One to the public through share buy back.
- Reversal of Liberal law opening door to privatization of some police functions.
- Commitment to not-for-profit child care system.
- Return of winter road maintenance to public sector.
- Commitment to public infrastructure instead of P3 model.

### **PCs**

- No commitment to reduce privatization.
- By all accounts, privatization will increase under the PCs.

### **Greens**

- Support for public health care and various other social programs but no strategy to stop or reverse privatization.
- No strategy to deal with Hydro One privatization.



## DECENT WORK

### Liberals

- Minimum wage raised to \$15/h on 1 January 2019.
- No commitment to address new concerns around employment standards and ease of joining a union.

### NDP

- Minimum wage raised to \$15/h on 1 January 2019.
- Commitment to make it easier to join union using a card-check model requiring 55% support in the workplace.

### PCs

- Scrap increase of minimum wage to \$15/hour.
- Introduce income tax credit for workers making the minimum wage.
- No commitment to address other employment standards issues and ease of joining union.

### Greens

- Minimum wage raised to \$15/h on 1 January 2019.
- Introduction of Basic Income Guarantee.
- Encourage opportunities to increase union density, but no details.