

Northern Ontario School of Medicine
Financial Statements
For the year ended April 30, 2013

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Chairman and Board of Directors of
Northern Ontario School of Medicine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Northern Ontario School of Medicine, which comprise the statement of financial position as at April 30, 2013, April 30, 2012 and May 1, 2011, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the years ended April 30, 2013 and April 30, 2012, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility


Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audits is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine as at April 30, 2013, April 30, 2012 and May 1, 2011, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years ended April 30, 2013 and April 30, 2012 in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.


Chartered Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Thunder Bay, Ontario
September 18, 2013

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Statement of Financial Position

(Thousands of Dollars)

| | April 30, 2013 | April 30, 2012 | May 1, 2011 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Assets | | | |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Cash - operating | \$ 16,585 | \$ 10,490 | \$ 4,246 |
| Short term investments | - | 1,176 | 1,165 |
| Accounts receivable (Note 3) | 3,048 | 2,330 | 6,665 |
| Prepaid expenses | 346 | 272 | 223 |
| Due from host universities (Note 4) | 414 | 1,576 | 43 |
| | 20,393 | 15,844 | 12,342 |
| Capital assets (Note 5) | 5,239 | 5,082 | 5,833 |
| | \$ 25,632 | \$ 20,926 | \$ 18,175 |

Liabilities, Deferred Contributions and Net Assets

| | | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 6) | \$ 9,908 | \$ 6,324 | \$ 5,064 |
| Deferred revenue (Note 7) | 1,611 | 1,587 | 1,332 |
| Current portion of obligation under capital lease (Note 8) | 107 | 107 | - |
| | 11,626 | 8,018 | 6,396 |
| Long term obligation under capital lease (Note 8) | 224 | 309 | - |
| Deferred capital contributions (Note 9) | 4,908 | 4,666 | 5,833 |
| | 16,758 | 12,993 | 12,229 |
| Net assets: | | | |
| Internally restricted (Note 10) | 8,874 | 7,933 | 5,946 |
| | \$ 25,632 | \$ 20,926 | \$ 18,175 |

Funds Held in Trust

Assets


| | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash held in trust (Note 11) | \$ 17,546 | \$ 16,107 | \$ 27,032 |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|


Liabilities

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Funds held in trust (Note 11) | \$ 17,546 | \$ 16,107 | \$ 27,032 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:

 Chair, Board of Directors

 President

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Statement of Operations

Year ended April 30, 2013, with comparative figures for 2012
(Thousands of dollars)

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Revenue: | | |
| Government grants - Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities | \$ 19,824 | \$ 20,570 |
| Government grants - Ministry of Health and Long Term Care | 12,281 | 12,052 |
| Government grants - Paymaster Program (Note 12) | 7,992 | 7,504 |
| Government grants - Medical Student Bursary Program (Note 13) | 269 | - |
| Government and other grants for restricted purposes | 2,322 | 1,900 |
| Tuition fees | 4,634 | 4,318 |
| Administrative services fees (Note 14) | 90 | 90 |
| Investment income | 125 | 58 |
| Bursary income | 551 | 380 |
| Miscellaneous income | 1,573 | 825 |
| Amortization of deferred capital contributions | 1,795 | 1,685 |
| Total revenue | \$ 51,456 | \$ 49,382 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Salaries, benefits, and other compensation | \$ 26,151 | \$ 25,581 |
| Salaries, benefits, and other compensation - Paymaster Program (Note 12) | 7,992 | 7,504 |
| Travel and accommodations | 1,933 | 1,703 |
| Travel and accommodations - Learners | 2,699 | 2,486 |
| Office | 2,479 | 1,968 |
| Curriculum and faculty development | 2,024 | 1,524 |
| Library | 565 | 481 |
| Technology and telecommunications | 1,590 | 1,732 |
| Facilities | 1,570 | 1,395 |
| Consulting | 805 | 607 |
| Medical Student Bursary Program (Note 13) | 269 | - |
| Bursaries | 643 | 729 |
| Amortization of capital assets | 1,795 | 1,685 |
| Total expenses | \$ 50,515 | \$ 47,395 |
| Excess of revenue over expenses | \$ 941 | \$ 1,987 |
| Transfers - Internally restricted net assets | (941) | (1,987) |
| Change in unrestricted net assets | \$ - | \$ - |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended April 30, 2013, with comparative figures for 2012
(Thousands of dollars)

| | Unrestricted | Internally Restricted | Total 2013 | Total 2012 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Net assets, beginning of year | \$ - | \$ 7,933 | \$ 7,933 | \$ 5,946 |
| Excess of revenue over expenses | 941 | - | 941 | 1,987 |
| Transfers | (941) | 941 | - | - |
| Net assets, end of year | \$ - | \$ 8,874 | \$ 8,874 | \$ 7,933 |

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended April 30, 2013, with comparative figures for 2012
(Thousands of dollars)

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Operating Funds | | |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Excess of revenue over expenses | \$ 941 | \$ 1,987 |
| Items not involving cash: | | |
| Amortization of deferred capital contributions | (1,795) | (1,685) |
| Amortization of capital assets | 1,795 | 1,685 |
| Changes in non-cash working capital (Note 15) | 3,978 | 4,268 |
| | 4,919 | 6,255 |
| Cash flows from financing and investing activities: | | |
| Obligation under capital lease | (85) | 416 |
| Capital assets acquired under capital lease | - | (464) |
| Deferred capital contributions | 2,037 | 518 |
| Capital assets acquired | (1,952) | (470) |
| | - | - |
| Net increase in cash | 4,919 | 6,255 |
| Cash, beginning of year | 11,666 | 5,411 |
| Cash, end of year | \$ 16,585 | \$ 11,666 |
| Represented by: | | |
| Cash - operating | \$ 16,585 | \$ 10,490 |
| Short term investments | - | 1,176 |
| | \$ 16,585 | \$ 11,666 |
| Funds Held in Trust | | |
| Cash flows from financing and investing activities: | | |
| Research Chair in Aboriginal and Rural Health Trust Funds - investment income | \$ 40 | \$ 39 |
| Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association Trust Funds | | |
| Funds granted | 7,007 | 7,007 |
| Investment income | 171 | 146 |
| Disbursements | (5,779) | (5,883) |
| Interprofessional Care and Education Trust Funds disbursed | - | (12,234) |
| | 1,439 | (10,925) |
| Cash held in trust, beginning of year | 16,107 | 27,032 |
| Cash held in trust, end of year | \$ 17,546 | \$ 16,107 |
| Represented by: | | |
| Cash held in trust | 17,546 | 16,107 |
| | \$ 17,546 | \$ 16,107 |

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The Northern Ontario School of Medicine ("School") was incorporated without share capital under the laws of Ontario. Working under the auspices of Lakehead University and Laurentian University ("host universities"), the purpose of the School is to establish and operate a medical school which is responsive to the needs of students and to the healthcare needs of the people of Northern Ontario.

The School has received full accreditation for its educational program leading to a medical doctorate from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education and the Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Schools.

1. Significant accounting policies:

The financial statements of the School have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations within the framework of accounting policies summarized below:

(a) Revenue recognition:

The School accounts for contributions under the deferral method of accounting as follows:

Operating grants are recorded as revenue in the period to which they relate. Grant amounts relating to future periods are deferred and recognized in the subsequent period when the related activity occurs. Grants approved but not received are accrued.

Tuition fees which relate to academic terms or parts thereof occurring after April 30 are recorded as deferred revenue.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amounts can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Externally restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the period in which the related expenses are recognized. Any surplus that is repayable to the contributor is recorded as accounts payable.

Contributions restricted for the purchase of capital assets are deferred and amortized into revenue on a straight-line basis at rates corresponding to those of the related capital assets.

(b) Investments:

Investments, which consist of deposit receipts and guaranteed investment certificates, are carried at fair market value.

(c) Capital assets:

Capital asset purchases are recorded at cost with amortization provided for in the period in which the assets are put into use. Capital assets are amortized on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives, which are:

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Computer software | 2 years |
| Furniture and equipment | 5 years |
| Leasehold improvements | 25 years |

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(d) Capital leases

Leases that transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership of the property to the School are accounted for as a capital lease. At the time a capital lease is entered into an asset is recorded together with its related long term obligation. Assets under capital lease are amortized on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives, which are:

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Equipment under capital lease | 5 years |
|-------------------------------|---------|

(e) Internally restricted net assets:

The School restricts use of portions of its operating assets for specific future uses. When incurred, the related expenses are charged to operations, and the balance of internally restricted assets is reduced accordingly. Internally restricted net assets are established through Board resolution or Board approved policies.

(f) Use of estimates:

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. Significant estimates include the estimated useful lives of capital assets, and allowance for doubtful accounts. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(g) Financial instruments:

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. In subsequent periods, equities traded in an active market and derivatives are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in operations, other than financial instruments related to endowment funds. In addition, all bonds and guaranteed investment certificates have been designated to be in the fair value category, with gains and losses reported in operations, other than financial instruments related to endowment funds. Changes in fair value of financial instruments related to endowment funds are recorded directly in net assets. All other financial instruments are reported at cost or amortized cost less impairment, if applicable. Financial assets are tested for impairment when changes in circumstances indicate the asset could be impaired. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale or issue of financial instruments are expensed for those items remeasured at fair value at each statement of financial position date and charged to the financial instruments for those measured at amortized cost.

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2. First-time adoption of Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations

Effective May 1, 2012, the School adopted the requirements of the new accounting framework, Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations (ASNPO) or Part III of the requirements of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants (CICA) Handbook – Accounting. These are the School's first financial statements prepared in accordance with this framework and the transitional provisions of Section 1501 - First-time Adoption have been applied. Section 1501 requires retrospective application of the accounting standards with certain elective exemptions and mandatory exceptions. The accounting policies set out in Note 1 have been applied in preparing the financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2013, the comparative information presented in these financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2012 and in the preparation of an opening ASNPO balance sheet at the date of transition of May 1, 2011.

The School issued financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2012 using generally accepted accounting principles prescribed by the CICA Handbook – Accounting Part V – Pre-changeover Accounting Standards. The adoption of ASNPO resulted in no adjustments to the previously reported assets, liabilities, net assets, excess of revenue over expenses and cash flows of the School.

3. Accounts receivable

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Government and other grants and miscellaneous receivables | \$ 1,343 | \$ 495 |
| Harmonized services tax recoverable | 754 | 511 |
| Ministry of Health and Long Term Care | 951 | 1,324 |
| | \$ 3,048 | \$ 2,330 |

4. Due from host universities

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Lakehead University | \$ 59 | \$ 326 |
| Laurentian University | 355 | 1,250 |
| | \$ 414 | \$ 1,576 |

The balances are non-interest bearing without fixed terms of repayment.

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5. Capital assets

| | 2013 | | | 2012 | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value | Cost | Accumulated Amortization | Net Book Value |
| Furniture and Equipment | \$ 20,056 | \$ 17,757 | \$ 2,299 | \$ 18,623 | \$ 16,652 | \$ 1,971 |
| Equipment under capital lease | 464 | 186 | 278 | 464 | 93 | 371 |
| Computer software | 1,039 | 955 | 84 | 872 | 844 | 28 |
| Leasehold improvements | 3,365 | 787 | 2,578 | 3,365 | 653 | 2,712 |
| | <u>\$ 24,924</u> | <u>\$ 19,685</u> | <u>\$ 5,239</u> | <u>\$ 23,324</u> | <u>\$ 18,242</u> | <u>\$ 5,082</u> |

6. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | \$ 4,624 | \$ 2,782 |
| Accrued salaries, benefits, and other compensation | 2,451 | 2,644 |
| Ministry of Health and Long Term Care programs | 2,833 | 898 |
| | <u>\$ 9,908</u> | <u>\$ 6,324</u> |

7. Deferred revenue

Deferred revenue represents unspent externally restricted monies received in the current and prior years for services to be provided in a future year as follows:

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Ministry of Health and Long Term Care | \$ 642 | \$ 545 |
| Tuition fees | 363 | 351 |
| Government and other grants and miscellaneous income | 606 | 691 |
| | <u>\$ 1,611</u> | <u>\$ 1,587</u> |

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8. Obligations under capital lease

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under the capital lease that began on October 1, 2011 and is expiring on September 30, 2016, together with the balance of the obligation under capital lease.

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|---|--------|--------|
| Year ending April 30 | | |
| 2013 | \$ - | \$ 107 |
| 2014 | 107 | 107 |
| 2015 | 107 | 107 |
| 2016 | 107 | 107 |
| 2017 | 43 | 43 |
| Total minimum lease payments required | 364 | 471 |
| Amount representing interest at a rate of 5.7% | (33) | (55) |
| Balance of the obligation under capital lease | 331 | 416 |
| Less current portion | (107) | (107) |
| Long term portion of the obligation under capital lease | \$ 224 | \$ 309 |

9. Deferred capital contributions

Deferred capital contributions represent the unamortized and unspent balances of grants utilized for capital asset acquisitions. Details of the continuity of these funds are as follows:

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Balance, beginning of year | \$ 4,666 | \$ 5,833 |
| MTCU funding transferred from deferred contributions | 2,006 | 468 |
| Ministry of Health and Long Term Care | 31 | 50 |
| Amortization of deferred capital contributions | (1,795) | (1,685) |
| Balance, end of year | \$ 4,908 | \$ 4,666 |

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10. Internally restricted net assets

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Bursaries | \$ 613 | \$ 547 |
| Research funds | 1,294 | 1,185 |
| Research equipment | 400 | 400 |
| Clinical education infrastructure | 124 | 124 |
| IT Infrastructure | 400 | 400 |
| Facilities Regeneration | 150 | - |
| PGE Requirements | 310 | - |
| Accreditation costs | 26 | 22 |
| Union negotiations | 36 | 37 |
| Legal costs | 200 | 200 |
| Short-term leave | 300 | 300 |
| Special initiatives and startup finalization | 2,611 | 2,328 |
| Reserves | 2,250 | 2,250 |
| Self-insurance | 160 | 140 |
| Balance, end of year | \$ 8,874 | \$ 7,933 |

11. Funds held in trust

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Research Chair in Aboriginal and Rural Health Trust Funds | \$ 3,170 | \$ 3,130 |
| Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association Trust Funds | 14,376 | 12,977 |
| Balance, end of year | \$ 17,546 | \$ 16,107 |

(a) Research Chair in Aboriginal and Rural Health - Trust Funds

During a previous fiscal year, the School received \$1,500 from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to establish a Research Chair in Aboriginal and Rural Health. This grant was matched with a grant of \$1,500 from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario to bring the total funds held in trust to \$3,000. During the current fiscal year, \$40 (2012 - \$39) was earned on these funds bringing the funds held in trust to \$3,170 (2012 - \$3,130).

(b) Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association - Trust Funds

During the current fiscal year, the School received \$7,007 (2012 - \$7,007) from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care to hold in trust for the Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association. These funds are to be used by the Northern Ontario Academic Medicine Association to fund the operations of the Academic Health Science Centre Alternative Funding Plan. The balance of these funds held by the school at April 30, 2013 is \$14,376 (2012 - \$12,977).

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12. Paymaster Program

On July 1, 2007, the School accepted residents into its own accredited Post Graduate Family Medicine program. In an agreement with the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, the School provides the payroll services for these residents' salaries and benefits in accordance with the PAIRO agreement.

During the fiscal year, the School paid residents' salaries totaling \$7,992 (2012 – \$7,504). During the fiscal year, the School received funding related to residents' salaries totaling \$7,992 (2012 - \$7,504).

13. Medical Student Bursary Program

Beginning in January 2013, the School entered into a funding agreement to administer the Final Year Medical Student Bursary Program that provides bursary payments to medical students in their final year of medical school. The agreement provided funding to pay the bursaries to the students as well as administration costs.

During the fiscal year, the School paid bursaries and administration costs totaling \$269. During the fiscal year, the School received funding related to bursaries and administration costs totaling \$269.

14. Administrative services fees

The School entered into service agreements to provide administrative services to third parties. The School provides accounting and payment services under these agreements and is reimbursed for all incurred expenses and charges an administrative service fee for providing these services.

15. Changes in non-cash working capital

| | 2013 | 2012 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cash provided by (used in): | | |
| Accounts receivable | \$ (718) | \$ 4,335 |
| Due from host universities | 1,162 | (1,533) |
| Prepaid expenses | (74) | (49) |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities | 3,584 | 1,260 |
| Deferred revenue | 24 | 255 |
| | <u>\$ 3,978</u> | <u>\$ 4,268</u> |

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16. Financial instruments

(a) Fair Values

The School's financial instruments are comprised of cash, short term investments, grants and accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and due from host universities.

The fair values of cash, short term investments, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and due from host universities approximate their carrying value because of the short term nature of these instruments.

(b) Risks arising from Financial Instruments

It is management's opinion that the School is not exposed to significant currency or interest rate risk.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the School if a member or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations, and arises principally from the School's accounts receivable. The School mitigates its potential credit risk from accounts receivable through credit evaluation, approval and monitoring processes. Furthermore, it evaluates the collectability of accounts receivable and records an allowance for doubtful accounts, which reduces the receivables to the amount management reasonably believes will be collected.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the School will not be able to meet all cash flow obligations as they come due. The School mitigates this risk by monitoring cash activities and expected outflows through extensive budgeting.

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17. Related party transactions

| | Lakehead University | Laurentian University |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Goods and services - 2013 | \$ 1,122 | \$ 1,329 |
| - 2012 | \$ 1,261 | \$ 1,407 |
| Endowment funds - 2013 | \$ 183 | \$ 347 |
| - 2012 | \$ 322 | \$ 388 |

The host universities and the School have agreed to collaborate via a Relationship Agreement in connection with services. These services include facilities and support services, technology and telecommunications services, registration and fee collection, development support, bursary receipt and disbursement, and other educational, research, and operational matters.

The host universities administer the endowment funds for the School. The use of these funds is restricted for student bursaries. The aggregate balance of these funds as at April 30, 2013 is \$19,800 (2012 - \$19,455), of which \$7,386 (2012 - \$7,255) is held by Lakehead University and \$12,414 (2012 - \$12,200) is held by Laurentian University.

18. Other information

The School, as a result of its affiliation with Laurentian University and Lakehead University, is participating in a reciprocal exchange of insurance risks in association with fifty eight Canadian universities. This self-insurance co-operative involves a contractual agreement to share the insurance property and liability risks of member universities. In the event that premiums are not sufficient to cover claim settlements, the member universities would be subject to an assessment in proportion to their participation.

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19. Pension plan

The School operates a defined contribution pension plan in which the School contributes a set amount to the plan in respect of individual employees. Contributions made by the School during the year amounted to approximately \$877 (2012 - \$862).

Prior to January 1, 2005, some NOSM employees participated in the Retirement Plan for the Staff of Laurentian University of Sudbury and its Federated and Affiliated Colleges (1975). Two employees have also accumulated benefits in the Laurentian Supplementary Retirement Plan (SuRP) for compensation of benefits in excess of the limits prescribed by the Income Tax Act. This Laurentian SuRP has been transferred to NOSM as approved by a resolution of the Board of Directors in May 2007 and set up as a Notional DC SuRP.

The benefit obligations as per the most recent actuarial valuation performed as at April 30, 2013, are equal to \$188 (2012 - \$170). The assets as at April 30, 2013 that consist of cash and cash equivalents, are equal to \$81 (2012 - \$80). The pension expense for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2013 is a charge of \$17 (2012 - credit of \$6). The expense includes \$11 (2012 - \$12) in expected interest costs during the fiscal year ended April 30, 2013. The assets set aside for the Notional DC SuRP are part of NOSM's general assets. No cash payments of future benefits were made during the fiscal year (2012 - NIL).

The Fiscal year 2013/2014 expense is estimated to be equal to \$12. The final 2013/2014 expense will be adjusted to incorporate actual interest credited on the notional account balances and investment returns upon the valuation scheduled as at April 30, 2014. The calculation of the fiscal 2012/2013 and estimated fiscal 2013/2014 Notional DC SuRP pension expense are based on expected interest cost of 6.50% per annum in both 2012/2013 in 2013/2014 and expected return on assets of 1.8% per annum in both 2012/2013 and in 2013/2014. The plan's experienced gains and losses shall be fully recognized in the year that they occur.

21. Economic Dependence

The School is dependent upon transfer payments from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care, and other various government agencies to finance its continuing operations.

22. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.