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REMINDER

Webinar for Residents and Families: Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 Thursday, April 7th at 10:00am

The OARC team is pleased to partner with Family Councils Ontario and representatives from the Ministry of Long-Term Care to provide an overview of new legislation which comes into force next week. We ask that you kindly share this webinar opportunity with residents and Residents' Council leaders in your long-term care home.

On Monday, April 11th, <u>Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021</u> will become the new legal framework governing the long-term care sector. This Act represents a key milestone on the way to transformative change for Ontario's long-term care residents and their loved ones.

Our Ministry partners look forward to providing an overview of this new legislation, highlighting some of the changes that residents and families can expect to see when the new Act comes into force.

To join the webinar, click on this link

Webinar ID: 854 1461 6265

Passcode: 264720

Phone-in option: 647-374-4685 or 647-558-0588

Implementation Tools and Supports for the Fixing the Long-Term Care Act, 2021

Earlier today, the Ministry of Long-Term Care released a suite of tools and supports to assist long-term care home teams with implementing the new Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 and regulation 246/22, which will be in force April 11, 2022.

This <u>memo</u> from Associate Deputy Minister Erin Hannah goes into further detail about each of the available tools.

This is a <u>Frequently Asked Question (FAQ)</u> document designed to support general implementation of the new legislative and regulatory framework.

The following is a list of Fact Sheets and other resources:

Fact Sheets

- Compliance and Enforcement
- Complaints
- <u>Continuous Quality Improvement</u> *A representative from Residents' Council can expect to be part of a new continuous quality committee in their homes
- Whistle-Blowing Protections
- IPAC
- Palliative Care *This Fact Sheet may be used to guide education on the new Resident Right #25
- <u>Screening Requirements</u>
- Emergency Planning

Other

- New IPAC Standard
- · Key Dates Chart *helpful table containing required implementation dates

Please consider printing a hardcopy set of documents to share with your Residents' Council leaders and plan to incorporate these resources into targeted education for residents and other stakeholders in your home as you start to implement the new legislation.

We look forward to co-hosting tomorrow's webinar providing an overview of the new Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021. Beyond this session, we are committed to working together with residents, the Ministry, and other key partners to deepen our collective understanding and find balance between regulations, rules and accountabilities (which are important and necessary!) and what we call culture change and person-centred approaches in long-term care, cultivating places where residents live and thrive. Sometimes there is tension between these concepts, and we hope that as this new Act and regulations are implemented on the ground, that residents see, feel and report back that there is positive change!

Thank you,

-The OARC team