Changes to "Resident Bill of Rights"

As part of the "Fixing Long Term Care Act", there have been some changes to the "Residents Bill of Rights". To view the updated Rights, please click the link below. <u>https://www.ontarc.com/residents-bill-of-</u> <u>rights/translations.html</u>

Physician Thank you!

This week, we took the opportunity to thank our Physicians Dr. VanBendegem and Dr. Farragos for all of the support they gave given to our residents, families and staff.



Fundraising Update

Nurses Week Thank You!

The staff at The Bennett Centre would like to take this time to thank all of those who supported us during Nurse's week including residents, families, board and committee members, volunteers, physicians and more! We had another very successful Nurse's Week, thanks to all of you!









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A Message from Family Council

New to the Bennett? Naturally you're wondering how the best care is provided to your family members but don't know who to ask and what to ask? Wondering who the Family Council is? We are you. Our parents, brothers and sisters are also residents at the Bennett. We meet over Zoom for a half hour one evening per month to discuss and share all sorts of news, concerns, the new building, and so on without Bennett Centre staff in attendance. Please join us. Discover the value of being involved! Email us to get added to the circulation list. Also join our Facebook - search for "The Bennett Family".

The next Family Council Zoom meeting is Thursday May 26 2022, 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm. Join us!

Neil & Rick Co-Chairs, Bennett Centre Family Council e: <u>bennettcentrefamilycouncil@gmail.com</u> fb: Join us on our <u>Facebook Group</u> w: <u>Bennett Centre Family Council Website</u>

"Fixing Long Term Care Act Update

On April 11, 2022, The Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 (FLTCA) was proclaimed into force to regulate Ontario's long-term care home sector. On the same day, the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007 (LTCHA) was revoked, which means it is no longer in force. The new Act also includes a new regulation.

Key changes being introduced through the regulation include: - Enhancing emergency planning requirements to support greater sector preparedness in the event of an emergency, including outbreaks, epidemics and pandemics.

- Defining "caregiver" and requiring all long-term care homes to have a visitor policy that respects the Residents' Bill of Rights and ensures that caregivers continue to have access to longterm care homes during an outbreak.

- Updating palliative care requirements to align with a shift in practice towards an approach that is not solely focused on end-of-life care.

- Expanding and clarifying infection prevention and control (IPAC) roles and requirements to improve resident safety and quality of life.

- Defining the calculation method for direct care targets as part of the commitment to increase the system average of direct care provided by nurses and personal support workers to four hours per resident, per day in four years, and to increase the system average of allied health care to 36 minutes per resident, per day.

- Clarifying the roles/responsibilities of medical directors to improve oversight.

- Additional protections for whistleblowers.

- Addressing the amounts and criteria for issuing administrative monetary penalties as deterrents for non-compliance with the Act.