

New National LTC Standards

Interested in having a say for the new national LTC standards? If so, the Standards Council of Canada (SCC), Health Standards Organization (HSO) and Canadian Standards Association (CSA Group) are developing two new national standards for LTC that will be shaped by the needs of residents, families and the LTC workforce. As they begin designing and building the new standard, they want to hear from Canadians about what matters most when it comes to long-term care. We encourage you to participate in this online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/HSOLTCNSC>.

COVID Testing

The next testing day for essential caregivers will be on Friday, April 30 from 10:00am-noon as a drive thru. We will now be transitioning back to rapid testing but we will continue offering the testing twice weekly. Our testing days will remain on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:00am-noon until further notice. Thank you!

WE NEED YOUR HELP ...Recognizing Mental Health Week May 3-9

Research shows a positive connection between expressing gratitude and mental health. As this past year has been difficult for team members, we want to take the opportunity to remind all staff of how grateful we are for everything they do. Many of you have sent notes, shared kind words and gestures over the past year and this was extremely appreciated. So, we are planning to collect kind messages for staff and post them in a common area like the Townsquare on the TV monitor for mental health week "TLC for LTC", May 3-May 7. Please share your message by email to kcampbell@maxvillemanor.ca and we will be please to utilize it expressing gratitude to the staff of Maxville Manor. We ask that you send them to us by Friday April 30th at noon. Thanking you in advance for your input into this activity.

Reminder - Research Study Survey (Deadline April 29, 2021)

We have been invited to participate in a research study (staff and residents). The goal of this study is to build a better understanding about how widespread

COVID-19 is in Canada among our most vulnerable and high-risk populations. The research team is hoping to collect dried blood spot samples from you to look for the presence of antibodies against COVID-19. We are anxious to know how effective the vaccine is in producing antibodies. Please join us in this study. There is more information and posters attached to this newsletter. Thank you.

<https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/LTC-Residents-Immunity-Study>