# **Keeping You Informed**

## Decision Support Tool: Advance Care Planning (ACP) and Medical Order for Scope of Treatment (MOST) Has Been Revised

### What's happening?

To clarify best practices in Long Term Care Communities, Decision Support Tool Advance Care Planning (ACP) and Medical Order for Scope of Treatment (MOST) content has been edited:

- MOST completion timeframes
- MOST telephone orders

#### How this may affect you?

- ACP conversations must take place on move-in and annually at a minimum.
- These conversations will inform completion of the MOST. Once completed, remember to fax the form to 604-587-3748 to be entered in Meditech.
- A MOST is valid for 12 months from the date signed.
- In all urgent or non-urgent circumstances, an outdated MOST (more than 12 months) is temporarily valid if:
  - The MRP is satisfied that the document is current and valid as far as can be reasonably determined
  - o There is no indication that the client's wishes or instructions have changed
  - The designation continues to be medically indicated.
  - The MRP completes a new MOST based on their clinical judgment as soon as possible.
  - $\circ$  The MRP must inform the client and/or if applicable, others that matter to them.
- In unusual circumstances, a MOST may be given by telephone to a registered nurse, registered psychiatric nurse or licensed practical nurse by an attending MRP. The nurse will write the MOST designation as a medical order, clarifying both CPR and medical treatment levels. The MRP or designate will complete a MOST form as soon as possible.

#### **Questions?**

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