## **Communication Update**



April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## Sent on behalf of the Fraser Health Integrated Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Services

## \*NEW\* Ministry of Health announcement: discontinuation of the key Provincial COVID-19 policies

- Provincial Health Officer announced the end of the respiratory season and the discontinuation of the key provincial COVID-19 policies. Here are the key changes:
  - Lifting of visitor proof of vaccination
  - Removal of visitor Rapid Point of Care Testing
  - Lifting of visitor universal masking requirements
  - Removal of screening practices for visitors
  - Staff masking scaled back to Point of Care Risk Assessment
  - o Remove all COVID-19 signage
- See the attached Ministry of Health Questions and Answers and the slide deck from todays Town Hall for more details.
- Further updates and resources will follow next week.

## \*NEW\* Opportunity to certify as a National PIECES facilitator

- PIECES TM provides health care practitioners with a practical, reflective and evidence informed approach
  to guide collaborative engagement, shared assessment and supportive care with older adults at risk or
  living with complex conditions and changes in behavioural expression.
- Why become a PIECES Facilitator?
  - Learn advanced knowledge to support application of PIECES approach within your local care community
  - Increase competence in your facilitation skills
- Who?
  - Leaders of LTC care communities, DOC's, clinical leads, CNE's, RCC's
- How?
  - Attend the PIECES 2-day education course as a participant (register on the learning hub).
  - Upon completion, email <u>FHLTCPIECESFacilitators@fraserhealth.ca</u> for more information on becoming a PIECES Facilitator.