Communication Update



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

NEW All long-term care (LTC) communities have the opportunity to take part in a research study called "Counting What Counts."

- The study is fully endorsed and approved by Fraser Health and will include:
 - Assessing quality of life (QoL) of LTC residents living with dementia as well as important resident and facility characteristics that may influence a resident's QoL
 - Completing surveys with care staff via Zoom
 - Obtain de-identified copies of RAI-MDS 2.0 assessments for all residents whose QoL was assessed (the team has a process in place to ensure residents remain de-identified to the study team at all times and data are transferred using secure procedures, so no resident/family consent is needed)
- This opportunity if you choose to participate will include a \$500 stipend for participating care communities and a \$20 coffee gift card for care staff for their time.
- As part of the study's random selection process, you may be approached via email by Emily Dymchuk (Study Coordinator) or a member of the Counting What Counts research team inviting your care community to participate in the project.
- See attached one pager for more information
- If you receive an invitation and are interested, please respond to the email and let the research team know. Please also let the research team know if you are unable to take part so they can move on to another home. If you have questions about the study, please contact Emily Dymchuk at dymchuk@ualberta.ca.