# **Communication Update**



April 13, 2023

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

# \*UPDATE\* Ministry of Health Provincial Health Officer Announcement & Town Hall

- Fraser Health hosted a town hall on April 6, 2023 following the MoH announcing the end of respiratory season and lifting the mandatory requirements with respect to visitors in long-term care and senior's assisted living.
- Attached you will find a Q & A of the most common questions posed during the townhall as well as a letter for residents and families to assist you in communicating these changes.
- All guidelines, tools and resources are under review and revisions will be shared as they become available.

# \*NEW\* Geri-Psych LTC Model – Decision Tree Algorithm

- In order to increase utilization of services, the FH regional clinical team has created the Geri-Psych LTC
  Model decision tree to facilitate access to geriatric psychiatry services for LTC. This will allow for timely
  assessment and management of complex dementia-related behaviours for those residents who may
  require a higher level of specialist care, impacting access to LTC due to unmanageable behaviours or risk.
- Please see attached decision tree. If you have any feedback or questions, please contact Dr. Farhan Haque at <a href="mailto:farhan.haque@fraserhealth.ca">farhan.haque@fraserhealth.ca</a> or your regional CNS.

### \*NEW\* Advance Care Planning: Fraser Health Staff

- April 16th is National ACP Day. Check out the <u>national resources</u>. Theme this year: <u>If Not You, Who?</u>
- Interested in implementing Advance Care Planning into your team's routine practice? We provide a supportive systems approach. We also facilitate regular education sessions: <a href="two-virtual-2.5">two-virtual-2.5</a> hour sessions or one full day in person session.
- Questions? Compliments? Comments? Feel free to contact by email or phone, cari.hoffmann@fraserhealth.ca

### \*NEW\* Fraser Health Assisted Living video for staff, residents and caregivers

- Fraser Health's integrated Long-term Care and Assisted Living team has produced a video about assisted living. We encourage you to watch, share and use these videos to inform conversations with your prospective residents and their families, and your staff about assisted living.
- The videos are available on the Fraser Health YouTube channel
- For more information please view attached KYI or contact Sarika Choy, manager, Assisted Living Services, Seniors, Community and Complex Care at <a href="mailto:sarika.choy@fraserhealth.ca">sarika.choy@fraserhealth.ca</a>

### \*NEW\* Fraser Health Corporate Policy on Possession of Substances for personal Use - Adults

- Fraser Health has created a new corporate/clinical policy related to the possession of substances in accordance with new decriminalization legislation.
- Please use the attached document as an example of a policy to support the creation of your own site policies for your residents.