## **Communication Update**



June 15th, 2023

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

## \*NEW\* For Information: EquipCare BC Update

- This year's application period for EquipCare BC opens on June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- EquipCare BC brings safety and quality of life items to publicly funded long-term care and assisted living operators.
- Some examples of what operators are able to purchase include medical screening devices, slings, beds and mattresses, overbed tables, shower chairs and tubs, mobility equipment, lighting and visual aids, sensory rooms, ergonomic furniture, exercise machines, accessible buses or vans, nurse call systems, telephone systems, medical equipment such as suction machines, wandering systems, and security systems.
- Please see list of eligible items
- Visit <u>EquipCare BC BC Care Providers Association</u> for eligibility criteria and additional information.
  (Please note that Fraser Health Owned & Operated care communities are not eligible for this funding)
- If you have any questions, please contact: Snezana Ristovski, Director of Programs & Organizational Development <a href="mailto:snezana@bccare.ca">snezana@bccare.ca</a>, (604) 736-4233 x 244 or <a href="mailto:programs@bccare.ca">programs@bccare.ca</a>. Please note that BC Care Providers experiences a high volume of calls and inquiries during application and funding periods and will assist as soon as they can.

## \*NEW\* Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program at the Public Health Agency of Canada Survey

- The Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP) at the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) invites you to participate in a 10-minute survey to understand the status and scope of surveillance activities across Canadian long-term care (LTC) communities.
- The survey will be available electronically at the link below until Friday, July 21.
- Please contact <a href="mailto:cnisp-pcsin@phac-aspc.gc.ca">cnisp-pcsin@phac-aspc.gc.ca</a> if you have any questions.
- Please click link: Here to access the survey