



April 2024 Newsletter



Physician Updates

Dr. Michael McElligott has announced his retirement after 53 years of being a physician! His last day at Fairfield Park will be June 30th, 2024. We are excited to announce that Dr. Dylan Russelo will be joining our team as an attending physician effective April 1st! He will be accepting all of Dr. McElligott's residents as well as few others. We will reach out to families if their physician is changing.

April is Volunteer Month

We will be honoring our Volunteers who always make a big difference in the lives of our residents. If you are interested in becoming a Volunteer at Fairfield Park, please contact our Activity Department and an orientation to our Home can be arranged. Volunteers provide many complimentary services such as assisting with dining, shopping, programs, fundraising, palliative care, and special events.

Health and Safety

A few reminders that came up in the Home's Health and Safety Meeting in March:

- No heating pads allowed in the building.
- No extension cords allowed in the building, only power bars are permitted.
- All new clothing, linens and accessories require a label. Please make sure all new items are brought to the front desk or environmental services to be labeled.

Spring Cleaning/Gardening

With the summer months quickly approaching, we would like to get our gardens cleaned up for our residents and visitors. As you all know, gardening take a lot of consistent, hard work. We would appreciate any help we can get to keep our gardens looking clean and beautiful. Please contact the Activity Department if you're interested in helping maintain our gardens.

Rate Reductions

Any resident who currently resides in basic (ward) accommodation that has previously had a rate reduction completed must complete a new application using your 2023 Notice of Assessment.

Your existing rate will expire on June 30th, 2024. Some residents may have received additional GAINS payments during 2023 and if this applies, we will require a "GAINS Rate Statement Letter" from the Ministry of Finance in order to complete the 2024/25 Rate Reduction. Please ensure you provide the applicable information by no later than May 31st, 2024. If you have any questions, please reach out to Karen Eddleston, Business Manager.

Resident/Family Satisfaction Surveys

We will shortly be beginning our Resident/Family Satisfaction Surveys for 2024 to ensure the best care possible is being provided to our residents. Family input will be required for residents who have a CPS score of 3 or higher. The survey can either be completed through the URL that we will be sending out via e-mail or you may contact the Activities Department for a paper copy.

Reminder: please hand in the completed "My Personhood Summary" poster. This can be done by bringing in a physical copy or sending it via e-mail to activities@fairfieldpark.ca
If you need another copy, please contact the Activity Department.