



COUNTY OF WELLINGTON

COMMITTEE REPORT

To: Chair and Members of the Information, Heritage and Seniors Committee
From: Suzanne Dronick, Wellington Terrace LTCH Administrator
Date: Wednesday, November 10, 2021
Subject: Direct Care Staffing Targets In Long-term Care

Background:

On October 15, 2021, the Ministry of Long-term Care confirmed their funding commitment to increase LTCH staffing levels. This new funding investment will ensure that residents receive on average four hours of direct nursing care per day by 2024-25 and 36 minutes of allied health professional time per day by 2022-23. All existing non-profit, for-profit, and municipal LTC operators licensed or approved to operate a LTC Home are eligible to receive this funding.

This investment is to ensure that every resident experiences the best possible quality of life, supported by safe, high quality care. In December 2020, the provincial government released "A better place to live, a better place to work: Ontario's long-term care staffing plan". The following outlines the staffing plan expectations:

Current Levels (2018 data)	2021-22 (to be achieved by Q4) Average	2022-23 (to be achieved by Q4) Average	2023-24 (to be achieved by Q4) Average	2024-25 (to be achieved by Q4) Average
2 hours and 45 minutes	3 hrs	3 hrs 15 min	3 hrs 42 min	4 hrs
30 minutes	33 min	36 min	36 min	36 min

*Please note: Q4 is referring to January, February and March.

The Long-term care sector is awaiting provincial guidance regarding the details of calculating staff direct care time.

Recommendation:

That the Direct Care Staffing Targets In Long-term Care report be received for information.
Respectfully submitted,

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