



Every senior in Canada deserves to live in dignity, safety, and comfort, regardless of where they live. The COVID-19 Pandemic shone a light on the problems in Long Term Care (LTC) and highlighted long-standing and systemic challenges in LTC across Canada. As the pandemic exposed uncomfortable truths within LTC, the Government of Canada is taking action to meet the evolving needs of residents and to work with provinces and territories in order to support improvements in LTC.

The Government of Canada is committed to doing more to support seniors and persons with disabilities across the country. On January 31, 2023, we welcomed the release of two independent LTC standards from CSA Group and the Health Standards Organization (HSO), which provided guidance for delivering services that are safe, reliable, and – most importantly – centred on residents’ needs.

Today, July 21, 2023, Minister Duclos and Minister Khra announced the launch of a public online consultation to support the development of a Safe Long-Term Care Act. The development of the Safe LTC Act builds on our government’s commitment to supporting seniors and persons with disabilities and will aim to help advance the quality and safety of LTC services across the country.

The 60-day consultation will invite Canadians to share their perspectives and expertise on how to better support the quality and safety of LTC, factoring in principles such as choice, person-centred care, and respect for LTC residents – including seniors and persons with disabilities – and enabling a healthy and competent LTC workforce.

Consultations run until September 21, 2023. I encourage everyone who’s interested to participate using the link below.

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Have your voice heard.



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