



October 25, 2021  
The Honourable Rod Phillips  
Ministry of Long-Term Care  
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Minister Phillips:  
RE: Long Term Care Homes – Inspections and Enforcement

On behalf of the board of Directors of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Ontario Council, I am writing to you concerning long term care homes. The pandemic has sadly exposed the state and conditions of certain homes in this province.

Further to our letter to the Ministry May 2, 2021 sent by email and the Ministry's response May 26, 2021, we are encouraged as to the positive steps currently being taken by the government to improve the health and well-being of the residents

One of the more serious recommendations from our Spring 2021 survey, [Long Term Care in Ontario](#), is a transparent, accountable and yearly, unannounced inspections of long-term care homes.

We note with interest that much of what we are concerned about is in the current legislation, **Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007**, but is either not being applied (Part IX, Compliance and Enforcement, 144) or in the case of administrative penalties has not been proclaimed as yet (Part IX, Compliance and Enforcement, 156.1).

We therefore ask that this situation be ameliorated through proclamation, further legislation but more importantly through action.

Could you please update us on the progress and measures being taken with respect to inspections and enforcement?

Ontario Council of the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) is a voluntary, self-funded, non-profit organization with 48 clubs across the province, which is affiliated with the National CFUW, having 96 clubs from coast to coast. Our main concerns include universal health care, quality long term care, quality public education, a clean safe environment, the economic security of women as well as the prevention of violence against women.

Thank you and I look forward to your response.

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