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OLTCC's President Dr. Ben Robert, Vice President Dr. Rhonda Collins and Past President Dr. Fred Mather have been holding a series of meetings with the Ontario Government, including the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Long Term Care and with his Parliamentary Assistant, Effie Triantafilopoulos, prior to the committee hearings into Bill 37, the proposed Legislation to replace the Long Term Care Homes Act. OLTCC also addressed the committee hearings. Key areas were raised by OLTCC in all meetings, including: the importance of embedding a palliative approach to care in LTC, making the OLTCC Medical Director's Course mandatory for all Medical Directors upon engagement in LTC, and creating a Chief Medical Officer of LTC for the province and 5 Ontario Health Regions to provide LTC knowledgeable guidance and collaboration with other sectors, particularly during a pandemic.

OLTCC is holding follow up meetings with the Ministry and will be working on input to the Ministry's draft regulations for the new Legislation, expected in the New Year.

OLTCC is a member of the Government's new Strategic LTC Advisory Table which began meeting in November. The Table will meet monthly.