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The OLTCC's Board Executive met with the new Minister of Long-Term Care, the Honourable Paul Calandra, providing the new Minister with the OLTCC's position on key ways to improve the quality of life for residents in LTC homes.

The OLTCC's Board and Regulations Review Sub Committee held several meetings with the Ministry of Long Term Care and the Minister's Office leading up to submitting its feedback on the Phase 1 Draft Regulations attached to the Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021.

The proposed regulations include the OLTCC Medical Director Course becoming mandatory for all Medical Directors within a year of engagement with a home. This has been a long standing recommendation of OLTCC and was recommended in the 2018 Gillese Long-Term Care Inquiry.

OLTCC provided significant feedback and support for a palliative philosophy of care in Long-Term Care noting that it equates to individual quality of life care. OLTCC provided definitions to differentiate palliative philosophy of care from end of life care and palliative care. The OLTCC recommends training for all involved in LTC in the palliative philosophy, including inspectors. OLTCC's Summary of Comments can be found <u>here.</u>

OLTCC continues to provide ongoing feedback to the Ministry at the Response and Recovery Committee and the Strategic Long-Term Care Advisory Table.