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The Minister of Long Term Care, the Honourable Paul Calandra accepted OLTCCC'S invitation to attend the OLTCC conference in October to address delegates. Watch for details in conference registration.

OLTCC is representing clinicians at the Ministry of Long-Term Care Technical Advisory Table. A broad range of issues is explored and input is provided by OLTCC board members.

OLTCC is preparing a submission to the Federal Consultation on Long Term Care Safety. The consultation is comprised of an online questionnaire or email submission and is designed to seek a broad range of input from the public and clinicians to help inform the development of a new federal Safe LTC Act.

Provincial and territorial governments are primarily responsible for organizing and delivering long-term care, including:

- how services are delivered
- how long-term care homes are regulated
- how the workforce is managed and compensated.

The federal government through Health Canada can support improvements in long-term care, through actions such as:

- convening partners for collective action
- investing in research and data collection
- promoting the sharing of promising practices
- providing funding to provinces and territories or other partners

Two independent LTC standards from CSA Group and the Health Standards Organization provide national standards and the Federal Government is now aiming to engage and collaborate with the provinces and territories, experts and stakeholders to develop legislation that will not mandate standards or regulate long-term care delivery, but will:

- focus on results and accountability to people in Canada
- reflect shared responsibility for the well-being of seniors and persons with disabilities
- address the quality and safety of care provided in long-term care homes, among other key issues

A discussion paper is available.