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The Fixing Long Term Care Act and the Phase 1 regulations are expected to be proclaimed into law on, or around, April 11th. The OLTCC continues to meet with the Minister's Office and Ministry Officials specifically with regard to those regulations pertaining to a palliative philosophy and the Medical Directors Course, which will become mandatory for all Medical Directors within a year of becoming engaged in Long Term Care. OLTCC regularly participates in the Strategic Long Term Care Advisory Table - a broad range of stakeholders LTC operators, staff, residents, and families. These meetings are focused on upcoming changes in the regulations.

OLTCC also continues to contribute to the Ministry's Pandemic Response and Recovery Committee and joined other stakeholders in writing to the Government expressing concerns about changes to vaccination and masking policies in Long Term Care. The letter can viewed here.

The mandate of the present Government is now winding down. The Legislature will rise and the election writ will be dropped in six weeks (anticipated to be May 5th) with a provincial election coming on June 2nd. OLTCC will continue to work with Ministry staff on implementing improvements to Long Term Care, while also supporting members to have discussions with candidates of all political stripes during the election campaign.