

## May 2023

OLTCC continues to provide input on behalf of its members at Ministry of Long-Term Care advisory tables.

Specifically, OLTCC provided feedback to the Government with regard to updating it's COVID-19 and masking policies coming out of the respiratory illness season. The Government subsequently announced that "homes will continue to be required to monitor residents daily to detect the presence of infection and indoor masking requirements remain in place at this time, other guidance and requirements that are no longer necessary are being adjusted to reflect the high vaccine uptake among residents and the availability of safe and effective antivirals that are reducing the risk of severe outcomes to residents."

Additionally, the Government is investing an extra \$32 million this year "to expand healthy menu options for long-term care residents, including a broader range of culturally inspired meals... -individualized food choices, more fresh produce and local foods in season."

The Legislature will rise in early June for the summer but work with committee and advisory tables will continue.