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MEMORANDUM TO: Long-Term Care Home Licensees
Long-Term Care Home Administrators

FROM: Alexander Bezzina
Assistant Deputy Minister

SUBJECT: 2011 Accommodation Co-Payment Rate Increases

I am writing to you regarding the status of co-payment rates for long-term care (LTC) home residents.

As you are aware, the government has undertaken a number of initiatives over the past year to improve the lives of residents in LTC homes. Benefits are already being realized through programs such as Residents First and formalized supports to Family and Residents' Councils.

In recognition that implementation of these initiatives is ongoing and that the benefits of programs such as these are still being fully realized, the government has decided to forgo a co-payment increase for long-term care home residents and hospital chronic care patients this year.

To ensure residents continue to receive the high quality of care that is currently provided by LTC home operators, a funding increase that would otherwise have been received through the co-payment increase will be provided. Further details will follow.

The July 1, 2010 co-payment rates outlined in the table below will remain in effect.

Type of Accommodation	Daily	Monthly
Long-Stay:		
Basic	\$53.23	\$1,619.08
Semi-Private (basic rate plus a maximum of \$8.00)	\$61.23	\$1,862.41
Private (basic rate plus a maximum of \$18.00)	\$71.23	\$2,166.58
Short-Stay	\$34.63	\$1,053.33

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Dependant deduction used by residents applying for reduced co-payment rates will also remain the same.

Dependant deductions	
First dependant (Spouse or child living independently in the community)	\$1,252.47
Each additional dependant	\$540.00

Residents with reduced rates ending on June 30, 2011 are required to apply for a new rate reduction by July 30, 2011 in order to have a new reduced rate effective July 1, 2011.

Should you have any questions, please contact LTC Homes Action Line, at 1-866-434-0144.

Sincerely,



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