



Home for Us Weekly Update - February 28, 2020

Home for Us started as an innovation and improvement project to understand the experience of residents, families, and staff. Building on the insights gathered from months of observations, interviews, focus groups, and surveys, we are now in the next phase of **Megamorphosis**. This phase aims to rapidly test ideas from residents, families, and staff to build on the great care that staff currently provide. Building on qualities such as **compassion** and **empathy**, we strive to make sure that **emotional connections matter most, residents direct each moment** and that **home is not just a place, it is a feeling**.

Meaningful Moment

Inspired by the great work that is done every day at our homes, each week we highlight a meaningful interaction that brings us one step closer to the vision

Nothing About Me Without Me

A generous donation from a Brock Fahrni family is being used to buy a new bath tub. In the spirit of community, the group went shopping together including the donor, residents and care staff. What a great use of resources to have everyone involved in the bathing experience to shop together! And what a heartwarming tribute to the donor's recently deceased wife who disliked having showers.



“See the Possibilities” of Living, Work and Visiting LTC

Invitation for Staff and Residents

Come Alive: See the Possibilities event is happening March 26, 2020 at the Italian Cultural Centre. This is a free event to engage the VCH Long Term Care Community to participate and contribute to “see the possibilities” of living, working and visiting LTC. We are very excited to open this event to include people living in VCH LTC.

Once again VCH is partnering with Emily Carr Health Design Lab to create an action packed day that builds on the 5 themes: Sense of purpose, flexible and spontaneous care, relationships and conversations, individual needs and care and recognizing and supporting ability through networking, sharing, learning and listening.

One of the Come Alive themes is being flexible and spontaneous so this event is offered to guests who live in LTC for the full day or half of the day in the afternoon starting with joining us for lunch and then getting right into ideas, perspectives and opinions of the guests. So please do not miss out on this opportunity for you to share your voice and choice towards COME ALIVE in your Care Home.

Read more and register through Eventbrite. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/come-alive-see-the-possibilities-tickets-94690298231>

Please register by March 12, 2020 so we can arrange for catering and other supports that may be required to ensure attendance.

Focus on Loss and Healing

Photo Contest

Call for Photo Submissions: The Compassionate “I” : Personal Images of Loss and Healing – a photography contest

This call for submissions is open to everyone, all levels of photography, and basically any type of image...as long as the submitted photo engages the theme of loss and healing... something that people who live in, work at and visit our homes know a lot about.

Click here to learn more:

<https://artscouncilnewwest.org/02/news/call-for-submissions-the-compassionate-i-personal-images-of-loss-healing-pop-up-exhibition/>

Thanks to Brock Nicholson, Volunteer Coordinator at Holy Family and Lead for Quality of Life Engagement, who is one of the founders & directors of New West Hospice Society, for submitting this.

It Takes A Village

Your help is needed!

Collecting Meaningful Moments and Kudos and Compliments: Let's keep sharing our great work to help inspire each other!

Please send me meaningful moments and kudos that you create or witness. Just send a quick email to cconvery@providencehealth.bc.ca with your story.

Staying Up to Date

For the Best Possible Care

The 17th Geriatric Services Conference will be held on March 27, 2020, at the Vancouver Convention Centre. You can register for the conference and read about the exciting here: <http://geriatricconference.providencehealthcare.org/>

Dialogue
on **aging**

GERIATRIC SERVICES CONFERENCE

Dialogue on Aging Free Public Presentation: Doors open at 6:00 pm. Come early to browse the interactive displays and meet the researchers:
<http://publicpresentations.providencehealthcare.org/>



Attend the 2020 Ethics Conference on April 24, 2020.

More information can be found here: http://phcnews.ca/wp-content/uploads/phc_annual_ethics_conference.pdf

Important Dates

March 06, 2020

Home for Us Working Group

8:00am to 10:00am

Youville, 6th Floor

March 27, 2020

Geriatric Services Conference

8:30am to 4:30pm

Vancouver Convention Centre

March 27, 2020

Dialogue on Aging Free Public Presentation

Innovations in Dementia and Healthy Aging: cutting edge research promotes success strategies for all.

6:00pm to 8:30pm

Vancouver Convention Centre