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MEMORANDUM TO: Long-Term Care Home Licensees**FROM:** Sandra Lawson
Assistant Deputy Minister
Long-Term Care Operations Division**RE:** Long-Term Care Home Accommodation Rate Changes effective
July 1, 2026

I am writing to inform you that effective July 1, 2026, an inflationary increase of 2.1 per cent (%) will be applied to the co-payment rates for basic and preferred accommodation in Long-Term Care (LTC) Homes.

The basic co-payment rate will increase from \$68.56 (or \$2,085.37 per month) to \$70.00 per day (or \$2,129.17 per month). This represents an increase of \$1.44 per day. Residents who choose semi-private or private accommodation are charged an additional premium above the daily basic co-payment rate. The respective premiums for semi-private and private accommodation will also increase by 2.1%, effective July 1, 2026. Please refer to the enclosed bulletin for the applicable preferred accommodation rates for your home.

As outlined in Ontario Regulation 246/22, the annual co-payment rate increase is based on the rate of inflation measured by the change in the prior year Canadian Consumer Price Index (CPI), and is capped at 2.5%. Given the change in the prior year CPI was 2.1%, an inflationary increase of 2.1% will be applied, effective July 1, 2026.

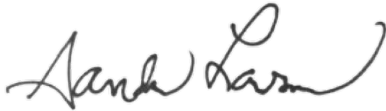
In addition, consistent with the evergreen regulations, the 2.1% increase to co-payment rates will also be applied to the maximum dependant deduction amounts for LTC home residents who are eligible for a reduced co-payment rate. An eligible resident may receive a deduction in their annual net income of up to \$1,647.04 per month for the first dependant, and a deduction of up to \$710.13 per month for each additional dependant.

The 2025-26 Rate Reduction cycle, which began on July 1, 2025, ends on June 30, 2026. Eligible residents are required to re-apply for a reduction in the basic co-payment rate for the 2026-27 cycle, beginning on July 1, 2026.

Please ensure that the enclosed bulletin is provided to all LTC home residents by June 1, 2026 and that applicants are informed of the rates prior to their receipt of a bed offer. Should you have any questions, please contact the Ministry at Ltc.Info@ontario.ca.

Thank you for your efforts and commitment to improving the quality of care provided to LTC residents.

Sincerely,



Sandra Lawson
Assistant Deputy Minister

Enclosures

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Peter Kaftarian, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Long-Term Care (MLTC)
Deborah Richardson, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Health (MOH)
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APPENDIX I

CHANGES IN ACCOMODATION RATES

The following table provides the new rates that will apply as of July 1, 2026.

Type of Accommodation	Daily Rate	Monthly
Long-Stay Resident:		
Basic	\$70.00	\$2,129.17
Semi-Private		
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2015.	\$84.40	\$2,567.17
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after September 1, 2014, but prior to July 1, 2015.	\$83.19	\$2,530.37
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2013, but prior to September 1, 2014.	\$82.00	\$2,494.17
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2012, but prior to July 1, 2013.	\$80.77	\$2,465.76
Residents occupying older beds, or residents admitted to newer beds prior to July 1, 2012.	\$79.61	\$2,421.47
Private		
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2015.	\$100.01	\$3,041.97
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after September 1, 2014, but prior to July 1, 2015.	\$97.90	\$2,977.79
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2013, but prior to September 1, 2014.	\$95.79	\$2,913.62
Residents admitted to newer beds on or after July 1, 2012, but prior to July 1, 2013.	\$93.70	\$2,850.04
Residents occupying older beds, or residents admitted to newer beds prior to July 1, 2012.	\$91.58	\$2,785.56
Short-Stay Resident (Respite Bed)	\$45.31	N/A

NOTE: “Newer beds” – beds classified as “NEW” or “A” according to ministry design standards

“Older beds” – beds classified as “B”, “C”, “Upgraded D” or “D” according to ministry design standards