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Dear Long-Term Care Home Stakeholder:

Further to my correspondence on September 10, 2009, please be advised that the second set of proposed initial draft regulations under the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007* (LTCHA) has now been posted for a 30 day public consultation period.

To review information on this second set of proposed initial draft regulations, please visit the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's public website at www.health.gov.on.ca or go directly to:

http://www.health.gov.on.ca/english/public/legislation/ltc_homes/ltc_homes.html. As the public posting notice outlines, all written comments on the proposed initial draft regulations must be received by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care on or before October 15, 2009. Submissions received after the closing date will not be considered as part of the public consultation feedback.

The Ministry is also informing all LTC home operators directly of the public consultation period through similar correspondence distributed and posted on the Ministry's intranet site for LTC homes- www.ltchomes.net. As part of this communication, we are asking all LTC home operators to make a copy of the second set of proposed initial draft regulations available to residents, families and staff in their home. To support this we are also providing an electronic poster that can be printed and posted in homes to communicate notice of the 30 day public consultation period. In addition, we are requesting that all LTC home operators provide a copy of the information on the second set of proposed initial draft regulations to their Family and Residents' Councils. LHINs have also been asked to make copies available in their office for members of the public.

Once again, thank you for your continued support and engagement in the LTC home sector and we look forward to receiving your comments and feedback as part of this very important process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Colleen Sonnenberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Colleen Sonnenberg
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