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RE: **Board Governance Training for Non-Profit Long-Term Care and Home Care Service Delivery Partners**

Long-term care service providers are important partners in providing programs and services to communities. Recent initiatives aimed at improving services for clients, and working conditions for staff, reflect a commitment to continuous improvement and furthering the health transformation agenda.

The recently released Health Services Organization standards for long-term care include many of the areas where Nova Scotia is already putting effort:

- 4.1 hours of care per day for nursing home residents
- Building new single rooms with individual bathrooms
- 3500 new (1200 net new) nursing care beds
- Increased wages

An increasing focus on standardizing support for service and program delivery partners will include board governance training, coaching and support for non-profit long-term care and home care agencies.

An RFP is being developed and will be posted shortly with an objective of hiring a consultant / consulting firm to provide this governance training.

The project is expected to be approximately 12 months in duration, once a consultant is hired.

Non-profit agencies will be notified when a consultant is hired and when the project is set to begin.