P.O. Box 100 4459 Highway 1 Weymouth, NS BOW 3T0



Digby/Clare Home Support Agency Agence de Soutien a Domicile

Ph. (902) 837-4444 Fax (902) 837-4447 1~800-310~8955

Mr. Ronnie LeBlanc Warden Municipality of Clare Little Brook, NS

September 24, 2019

Invitation to attend Continuing Care Assistant/ Home Support Worker Appreciation Day

Dear Mr. LeBlanc,

My name is Tonya Boudreau and I am the Agency Director of Digby/Clare Home Support Agency (Agence de Soutien a Domicile). I would like to invite you and <u>all members of council</u> to meet with some of our home care staff as part of recognizing Continuing Care Month in October 2019. As a continuing care provider in the community, it is important to me that you have a strong understanding of what continuing care providers do for residents throughout our community, and how we can work together to better support continuing care employees and promote positive system change.

We provides services to over 260 clients throughout Digby County. Several (over 80) of those home support clients live within the Municipality of Clare. Several of our employees are also residents of the Municipality of Clare.

October is celebrated as Continuing Care Month, a time to recognize the continuing care sector and the thousands of dedicated and compassionate people who have chosen this caring field of employment, and the positive difference they make in the lives of the Nova Scotians they support. Our employees will be recognized on October 7th, 2019 at 1pm at the Weymouth Legion. We are reaching out to town, municipal and provincial government representatives to invite them to our awards ceremony.

We wish to highlight the ongoing commitment of continuing care employees to delivering quality care and promoting the happiness, health and well-being, and independence of their clients. The purpose of this promotional campaign is to increase public awareness and recognition of this important sector and the contributions of its employees.

This year's Continuing Care Month theme is *Continuing Care*: Your Home, Our Passion. The theme reflects the underlying message that every day in Nova Scotia, the people who work in continuing care are making a remarkable difference in the lives of people of all ages who need care and support in their homes and communities.

The goal of this campaign is to recognize and celebrate the commitment to quality, compassion and caring by the employees delivering care. Additionally, the campaign will support recruitment to this specialty field of employment by highlighting the tremendous personal satisfaction that employees experience from their constant dedication to delivering the highest standard of care and establishing meaningful relationships with individuals who rely on these important services.

To this end, the purpose of this letter is to invite to our awards ceremony and to participate in this promotional campaign by recognizing Continuing Care Month in your Municipal Council..

I welcome to opportunity to have you attend our ceremony to demonstrate the tremendous impacts of our dedicated employees.

Please contact me at 902-837-4444 or by email at tonya@dchsa.ca if you require any additional information regarding our ceremony.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Tonya Boudreau

Agency Director

Digby/Clare Home Support Agency

Agence de Soutien a Domicile