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COMMUNITY CARE FACILITIES AND NURSING HOMES ACT

NURSING HOME REGULATIONS AMENDMENT

Pursuant to section 13 of the *Community Care Facilities and Nursing Homes Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-13, Council made the following regulations:

1. The Community Care Facilities and Nursing Homes Act Nursing Home Regulations (EC10/88) are amended by the addition of the following after section 1:

1.1 Application

These regulations apply in respect of nursing homes, but not in respect of community care facilities.

- 2. Subsection 19(3) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the words ", for fire, police, hospital, ambulance and physician," and the substitution of the words "for fire, police and ambulance services, and the medical practitioner or nurse practitioner designated under subsection 29(1),".
- 3. (1) Subsection 22(3) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the words "a physician" and the substitution of the words "a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner".
- (2) Subsection 22(4) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the words "who is authorized by an enactment to practice as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse".
- (3) Subsections 22(5), (6) and (7) of the regulations are revoked.
- 4. Clause 25(b) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the word "physician" and the substitution of the words "medical practitioner or nurse practitioner".
- 5. Subsections 27(2), (3) and (4) of the regulations are revoked.
- 6. Clause 28(h) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the words "his physician" and the substitution of the words "a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner".
- 7. Form 3 in the Schedule to the regulations is amended
 - (a) in items 13, 14 and 16, by the deletion of the word "physician" and the substitution of the words "medical practitioner or nurse practitioner"; and
 - (b) in item 15, by the deletion of the word "physician's" and the substitution of the words "medical practitioner's or nurse practitioner's".

8. These regulations come into force on April 19, 2025.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SECTION 1 adds a new section 1.1 to the Nursing Home Regulations to clarify the application of the regulations to nursing homes but not community care facilities.

SECTION 2 amends subsection 19(3) of the regulations to require that an emergency list of phone numbers include the medical practitioner or nurse practitioner designated under subsection 29(1) to provide services to the nursing home.

SECTION 3 amends subsection 22(3) of the regulations to require that medication orders be reviewed by a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner. It also removes unnecessary wording from subsection 22(4) of the regulations and revokes subsections 22(5), (6) and (7) of the regulations, which are spent transitional provisions.

SECTION 4 amends clause 25(b) of the regulations to refer to a medical history and orders signed by a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner.

SECTION 5 revokes subsections 27(2), (3) and (4) of the regulations, which are spent transitional provisions.

SECTION 6 amends clause 28(h) of the regulations to refer to a therapeutic diet ordered by a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner.

SECTION 7 amends Form 3 in the Schedule to the regulations to refer to a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner instead of a physician.

SECTION 8 provides for the commencement of these regulations.

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REGULATIONS AMENDMENT

Pursuant to section 13 of the *Community Care Facilities and Nursing Homes Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-13, Council made the following regulations:

- 1. The title "Regulations" of the *Community Care Facilities and Nursing Homes Act* Regulations (EC391/84) is revoked, and the title "Community Care Facility Regulations" is substituted.
- 2. Section 1 of the regulations is revoked and the following substituted:
- 1. Definitions
 - (a) "Act" means the Community Care Facilities and Nursing Homes Act R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. C-13;
 - (b) "nurse practitioner" means a person who is authorized by an enactment to practise as a nurse practitioner.

3. The regulations are amended by the addition of the following after section 1:

1.1 Application

These regulations apply in respect of community care facilities, but not in respect of nursing homes.

- 4. Subsection 20(3) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the words ", for fire, police, hospital, ambulance and physician," and the substitution of the words "for fire, police and ambulance services".
- 5. Clause 25(f) of the regulations is amended by the deletion of the words "his physician" and the substitution of the words "a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner".
- 6. Schedule B to the regulations is amended by the deletion of the word "PHYSICIAN" wherever it occurs and the substitution of the words "MEDICAL PRACTITIONER OR NURSE PRACTITIONER".
- 7. These regulations come into force on April 19, 2025.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SECTION 1 changes the title of the regulations from "Regulations" to "Community Care Facility Regulations".

SECTION 2 revokes and replaces section 1 of the regulations to add a definition for "nurse practitioner".

SECTION 3 adds a new section 1.1 to the regulations to clarify that the regulations apply in respect of community care facilities but not nursing homes.

SECTION 4 amends subsection 20(3) of the regulations to update the list of emergency telephone numbers relevant in a community care facility.

SECTION 5 amends clause 25(f) of the regulations to refer to a therapeutic diet ordered by a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner.

SECTION 6 amends Schedule B to the regulations to refer to a medical practitioner or nurse practitioner instead of a physician.

SECTION 7 provides for the commencement of these regulations.

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EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS ACT

MINIMUM WAGE ORDER

Pursuant to section 5 of the *Employment Standards Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-6.2, Council approved the following Minimum Wage Order made by the Employment Standards Board:

1. Minimum Wage

The minimum wage for all employees to whom section 5 of the *Employment Standards Act* R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. E-6.2, applies shall be

- (a) \$16.50 per hour, effective from October 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026; and
- (b) \$17.00 per hour, effective on and after April 1, 2026.

2. Board and lodging

- (1) The maximum amount an employer may deduct from the wages of an employee to whom section 5 of the *Employment Standards Act* applies for furnishing board or lodging to the employee is as follows:
 - (a) \$61.60 per week, for board and lodging;
 - (b) \$49.50 per week, for board only;
 - (c) \$27.50 per week, for lodging only;
 - (d) \$4.25 per meal, for single meals.

Meal not received

(2) An employer shall not deduct an amount from the wages of an employee pursuant to clause (1)(d) for a meal the employee did not receive.

3. Revocation

The Employment Standards Act Minimum Wage Order (EC139/96) is revoked.

4. Commencement

This order comes into force on October 1, 2025.

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PROVINCE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ESTIMATES OF CURRENT EXPENDITURE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

This Council in Committee, having under consideration the Estimates of Current Expenditure required to carry on the Public Service of the Province for the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2026, and amounting in all to the sum Three Billion, Five Hundred and Twenty-Six Million, Nine Hundred and Eighty Thousand, Two Hundred Dollars (\$3,526,980,200), together with a sum sufficient for similar expenditure, to carry on the Public Service of the Province from the expiration of the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2026 up to and until the final passage of the Current Estimates for the Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2027, it was and is hereby recommended that the Current Estimates be approved by His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Prince Edward Island, and be presented to the Legislative Assembly during the present session thereof.