



DIGNITY FOR OUR SENIORS

Adapting the System to meet Today's Needs:

(a) More Single Rooms in Long-Term Care.

- A Tim Houston government commits to building at least 2,500 new single rooms to meet the current demand.
- Total capital investment in this commitment (without federal support): \$465,750,000.
- Tim has also submitted a more ambitious proposal to the Federal Government to seek infrastructure dollars and support for a total project of 3,500 new single bedrooms, meaning an extra 1,000+ single bedrooms is possible if the Federal Government is willing to invest alongside the Province.
- Total capital investment in this larger project (with federal support): \$821,000,000, which would be shared between the two levels of government.

(b) More Staff.

- A Tim Houston government commits to hiring 2,000 health professionals with the right skill mix to support the changing health and social care needs of residents. We need more staff and we need them to feel respected. Without them, it's not possible to provide dignity of care. To attract the appropriate people a Tim Houston government will:
 - Reinststate the CCA training grant.
 - Resume accredited CCA training programs hosted by long-term care properties.
 - Ensure properties with 30% of unaccounted staff absences for a period of two consecutive months to an administrative audit.
 - Make the CCA registry mandatory.
 - Treat the staff and healthcare professionals with respect to make sure we don't lose some of our most talented and committed professionals.

(c) More accountability - Measuring Outcomes Through Technology.

- Championing contact tracing technology.
- Understanding exactly how much care someone is getting.
- Monitor clinical indicators.

Preparing the System for the Future:

“Supportive Living.”

- A Tim Houston government will work with communities to establish new options of government-funded care that will:
 - Provide funding to seniors for expanded housing options, while reducing the stigma attached to seniors with limited resources.
 - Provide seniors and families with increased choice and autonomy over their care options and services.
 - Ensure seniors have a comfortable, safe living environment that is truly home.
 - Allow a senior to age in place, potentially never requiring a nursing home.
 - Ensure strict regulation and accreditation.
 - Open up government-funded spaces that motivate industry - not government - to build the necessary infrastructure.