



Home for Us Weekly Update - June 21 2019

Home for Us started as an innovation and improvement project to understand the residential care experience for residents, family and staff. Building on the insights gathered from months of observations, interviews, focus groups and surveys, we are now in the next phase of **“Megamorphosis.”** This phase aims to rapidly test ideas from residents, family and staff to build on the great care that staff currently provide. Building on qualities such as **compassion** and **empathy**, we strive to make sure that **emotional connections matter most, residents direct each moment** and that **home is not just a place, it is a feeling.**

Meaningful Moments

Inspired by the great work that is done every day at our homes, each week we highlight a meaningful interaction that brings us one step closer to the vision



I'm so proud of Mr C and his efforts in keeping his balcony plants alive and thriving. We made a special trip to the Southlands nursery, about a month ago, where he had full autonomy to pick what he pleased for his space. This gives Mr C purpose and pride, qualities that often get stripped at the door once you move into a long-term care facility.



Delivering person-centred care means we don't set limits, push diagnoses, and change the identity of our residents, instead

we adhere to their needs and provide meaningful opportunities during their golden years.

- Sarah Boon, Rehabilitation Assistant, Youville Residence

Kudos & Compliments

Highlights from the week



Poster Girl: In the March 14th, 2019 issue of the Vancouver Courier, the Dementia Village initiative was highlighted and Jo-Ann Tait was featured on the cover. John at HFH was so ridiculously proud of our poster girl that he framed the cover page and dressed up for the occasion. Here is John posing with fashionista Chat Panganiban, the Clinical Nurse Leader at HFH.

You can read the Vancouver Courier article here: <https://bit.ly/2JlYOy>

It Takes a Village...

Your help is needed!

Do you need funding for your innovative idea in aging + brain health? The Centre for Aging + Brain Health Innovation (CABHI) has officially launched the 2019 Spark Program. CABHI is inviting point-of-care staff to accelerate their ideas into innovations that can improve the lives of older adults, persons with dementia and their care partners. The Spark program provides **up to \$50,000 (CAD)** in project funding over 12 months that can be used to develop and refine early stage solutions or to adapt and test a commercially available solution in a seniors' care environment. Two projects in our program have previously benefited from this grant: the prototyping of ***IlluminAid*** (in partnership with the Emily Carr Health Design Lab) and the ***Cover and Comfort Wrap***. To learn more about this opportunity, you can visit: <https://www.cabhi.com/2019-spark-program-call/> The deadline is July 5, 2019.

Working Group Members! Please share the information from the weekly update with your teams (at your home, within your discipline, etc.). Previous weekly updates can be found here: <https://bit.ly/2HctSXQ>

Inspiration

Stories to Learn From

PHC News: Celebrating 125 years of innovation driven by compassionate care. <https://bit.ly/2RskC4o>

3M Quality Care Awards: On June 11th, members of the Home for Us team travelled to Toronto to accept the prestigious 3M Health Care Quality Care Award. Click here to see the awards photo album: <https://bit.ly/2KxxPbj>

Canadian Centre for Elder Law: Conversations About Care: The Law and Practice of Health Care Consent for People Living with Dementia in British Columbia: <https://bit.ly/2WYqXdO>

Important Dates

July 05, 2019: 0800-1000

Home for Us Working Group Meeting

Youville, 6th Floor

July 08, 2019 1200-0100

HFH - PHC Anniversary Celebration

HFH Cafeteria

July 09, 2019 0200-0300

YOU - PHC Anniversary Celebration

Youville Dining Room