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Memorandum

From: Brenda Gillette, CEO
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To: Home Share Providers

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Subject: **IMPORTANT: Home Share Training Provincial Launch**

In 2020, the BC CEO Network ("the Network") received a conditional grant to support the learning and development of Home Share providers and coordinators in the province. Currently, there are approximately 4000 funded Home Share arrangements in the province.

Training development has been underway. The Network will release Home Share training content at a provincial level this fall. The majority of training will be provided through the Open Futures Learning (OFL) platform via grants to eligible organizations, agencies and/or contracted service providers across the province. Grants will be distributed for up to two years.

If you are an organization funded by CLBC to provide Home Share Coordination Services, you may be eligible for training grant funding. Visit: www.bcceonetwork.ca for more information.

Home Share/Shared Living Coordinator Handbook Template

In December 2021 the BC CEO Network released the Home Share/Shared Living Coordinator Handbook Template. It has been designed to support existing Coordinators by outlining best practices. It is a valuable resource for assisting with the development and onboarding of new employees. It has been produced with the guidance of two reference groups: a working group of BC CEO Executive Directors and a reference group of Home Share Coordinators from both large and small organizations, and rural and urban service providers who hold contracts to provide coordination. The handbook has been constructed as a template for organizations to adapt it to their specific practices and needs.

Home Share Training Content

Training will be offered on a variety of disability topics in-person and through the Open Futures Learning platform. Online modules vary in length and format and can be self-guided or as co-learning with the person being supported. Additional content, on a range of disability focussed topics, is accessible through OFL. (1000+ Modules)

Series A - Foundational Modules

These modules are designed to give an understanding of the values, vision and essential skills needed to provide quality services and to give a deeper understanding of the specific disability types and their unique needs.

- The Power of Advocacy: A Short History of Community Living
- Respectful Intimate Care
- Introduction to Health Care
- Autism
- FASD
- Down Syndrome

Series B - Person Centred Approaches & Self-Care

These modules are designed to dive deeper into key skills needed to support others and themselves. This includes modules on how to care for yourself, supporting those with mental health conditions & supported decision making.

- Care for the Caregiver
- Mental Health
- Indigenous Cultural Safety
- Supported Decision Making
- Communication: The Crucial Skills (Active listening, Communication skills, Feedback, Coaching, Conflict Management Styles)
- Sexuality and Intellectual Disability

Series C - Complex Service Needs

These modules are designed to build capacity and the understanding to support others with complex service needs.

- Trauma Informed Practice
- Aging, Dementia & Intellectual Disability
- Harm Reduction
- Complex Service Needs

For more information about the training project contact:

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Thank you,

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