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Sandra Datars Bere
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The Corporation of the City of London
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Dear Ms. Datars Bere:

Re: Dearness Home for Senior Citizens – Integrated Assessment Record (IAR) Implementation

Thank you for your e-mail dated November 30, 2015 regarding the sharing of Dearness Home's Resident Assessment Instrument – Minimum Data Set 2.0 assessment data in IAR.

The IAR is designed to operate in compliance with The Personal Health Information Protection Act, which establishes a statutory framework for protecting the privacy of individuals' personal health information. IAR has established a Privacy and Security Implementation Framework which describes the privacy and security tasks each participating Health Information Custodian needs to implement in order to fulfill their obligations prescribed in the above-noted Act and support the IAR. The IAR Privacy and Security Implementation Framework consists of the following processes:

- Consent Management
- Incident Management
- Client Privacy Rights Support
- Log Review Standard and Guideline
- Privacy Review
- User Account Management
- EMPI (Enterprise Master Patient Index)

We respect your due diligence to implement the Integrated Assessment Record initiative. However, the adoption of the IAR is required by the South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), as well the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. Specifically, the Ministry's Performance Improvement and Compliance Branch has mandated that all long-term care homes must provide a set of required Resident Assessment Instrument – Minimum Data Set 2.0 data elements that are contained within the daily,

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automated submission of Resident Assessment Instrument – Minimum Data Set 2.0 assessment data to the IAR Health Information Network Providers.

As of February 28, 2015 over 99% of all long-term care homes have completed their IAR implementation and the final homes are working to complete their implementation.

With this clarification, please provide confirmation of approval by the City of London to move forward with implementation and the expected timelines for full adoption of the Integrated Assessment Record at Dearness Home to Brian Ashby at brian.ashby@lhins.on.ca by January 8, 2016.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for your efforts and hard work in helping to improve health care within the South West LHIN.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. We look forward to Dearness Homes' support on this implementation.

If you have any questions about this initiative, please contact Brian Ashby, Team Lead, Information Management at brian.ashby@lhins.on.ca.

Sincerely,



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