## Personal Care Home Social Workers Role

Social Workers in long term care often work in isolation and make independent decisions for residents on their caseloads.

Social Worker's work with residents and families often involves complexities of competency and support during end of life.

Social Workers provide an important voice in the long term care system for maintaining the inherent dignity of each person and not losing sight of the individuality of each resident.

Social Workers are the welcoming and supportive contact for Residents and family members on admission and throughout their life in their new home.

# **MAPCHSW History:**

In 1972, the Social Workers employed in Personal Care Homes in Manitoba began meeting on a regular basis to exchange ideas related to social work services in PCH's.

We became a formal organization in 1974 when a Constitution was adopted. The Association has since grown to include membership from long term care facilities in Winnipeg and in all parts of rural Manitoba.

# **Meetings**

Meetings are currently held on the third Friday of each month, beginning at 9:00 a.m. between the months of September to June.

Meetings are held in various facilities so that members can become familiar with other Personal Care Homes and long term care facilities.

A tour of the hosting facility is offered at the end of each meeting.



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## **Purpose**

The Association meets regularly to discuss a wide range of topics pertinent to Social Workers in long term care settings.

Meetings provide the opportunity to network with other Social Workers and to keep up-to-date with changes and new developments in the field.

## **Objective**

- ♦ Provide opportunities for members to network and share information.
- ◆ Promote Core Competencies of Social Work in Personal Care Homes.
- ♦ Promote professional development opportunities for Association members.
- ◆ Promote and advocate for the profession of social work in the Personal Care Home setting.
- ♦ To advocate for system changes that would benefit our clients.

#### Structure

The Association is run by an Executive Committee, with standing and ad-hoc committees in place as necessary.

As an Association member, you are welcome to serve on the Executive or as a committee member. There is an annual membership fee which is due upon acceptance of your application.

Canadian Association of Social Workers Distinguished Service Award Recipient in 2007 for their dedicated service to the Elderly.

## **Mentorship & Support**

Social Workers in PCH's often work in isolation. MAPCHSW provides support to members through the sharing of experiences, resources, education and knowledge. MAPCHSW promotes the principles of best practice and core competencies for Social Workers through support and mentorship.

# **Educational Opportunities**

MAPCHSW provides a platform for Social Workers to come together and share information and participate in professional development activities.

#### Rural & Urban Membership

MAPCHSW is one of the few associations in Manitoba which has rural and urban members. The Association provides members with an ability to provide a fellowship across many remote and isolated communities.

## **Advertising Positions**

MAPCHSW offers organizations in Long Term Care an opportunity to advertise Social Work positions on our website in an effort to save organizations your time and money in reaching qualified and experienced Social Workers.

# **Membership Opportunities**

Membership is open to all Social Workers in a long term care setting. The Social Worker must hold a minimum Bachelor of Social Work degree from an accredited University. Membership is open to students currently in a Social Work program who are performing placement study within a PCH or LTC setting.

## **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

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\$30 payable to MAPCHSW.

application is not accepted

Your money will be reimbursed if your