

Nova Scotia Nursing Home Placement by Current Need

Whereas, there are long waiting lists for nursing home placement based in part on applicants anticipating a future needs as opposed to crisis priority need; and

Whereas, the Province of Nova Scotia endorses a Facility Placement Policy wherein nursing home placements are allocated chronologically by the date of eligibility; and

Whereas, care recipients and their families are faced with difficult decisions when a nursing home bed is urgently needed and is not available;

Therefore be it resolved that the Nova Scotia Provincial Council of the Catholic Women's League urge the Nova Scotia Provincial Government to revise the Facility Placement Policy criteria based on current need.

Action Plan

1. Visit the Provincial Minister of Health and Education to lobby for his support concerning our resolution on nursing home placement.
2. Encourage CWL members to write letters to the Nova Scotia Provincial Government to revise the Facility Placement Policy criteria based on current need.
3. Educate members on the concerns and issues about the resolution.
4. Monitor the government's plan of action in response to the request contained in the resolution.