

# ***Making the Connection 2025***

## ***Day 1 Wednesday October 29, 2025***

8:00 am – 8:45 am	<b>Registration</b> (coffee/tea provided) Exhibits open
8:45 am – 9:10 am	<b>Welcome and Opening</b> <b>Territorial welcome</b> <b>Opening remarks</b> – Minister of Health and Wellness
9:10 am – 10:00 am	<b>Keynote: Safely Navigating Behavioral Interventions</b> Dr. Dallas Seitz <i>Geriatric Psychiatrist, Professor, Department of Psychiatry</i> <i>Co-Chair of Canadian Guidelines for Assessing and Managing Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (2024)</i>
10:00 am – 10:20 am	<i>Nutrition Break/Exhibits</i>
10:20 am – 11:20 am	<b>Behavioral interventions – Perspectives from the frontline</b> Jaime Constable <i>Chief Executive Officer, Alzheimer Society of PEI</i> Julie Dennis <i>Occupational Therapist Lead, Dementia Specialty Team</i> Dr. Christie Nichols <i>Physician, Beachgrove Home</i> Dr. Ida Pienaar <i>Psychologist, Hillsborough Hospital</i>
11:20 am – 11:30 am	<i>Door prizes/Energizer</i>
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Putting Knowledge into Action: Behavioral Interventions</b>
<b>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</b>	<b><i>Lunch (provided)</i></b>
1:00 pm – 1:20 pm	<b>Recognizing excellence in Person Centered Care: Awards</b> <b><i>Shelley L. Woods Award</i></b> <b><i>Douglas MacKenzie Award</i></b>
1:20 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Balancing the Right to Live at Risk with Respecting the rights of LTC residents—Roundtable discussion</b> Dr. Christy Simpson, <i>Associate Professor</i> <i>Department of Bioethics, Faculty of Medicine, Dalhousie University</i> Joel Wonnacott <i>Office of Public Trustee, Public Guardian</i>
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	<i>Nutrition Break/Exhibits</i>
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>Ageism in healthcare</b> Dr Olive Bryanton

*Lifelong Learner and Advocate for Older Adults*

**Communicating with families**

Alex Parkman

*Clinical Social Worker*

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

**Wrap-up**

## ***Making the Connection 2025***

### ***Day 2 Thursday October 30, 2025***

8:00 am – 8:45 am

**Registration** (coffee/tea provided)

Exhibits open

8:45 am – 9:00 am

**Welcome and Opening**

9:00 am – 10:00 am

**Understanding and Supporting Quality Work Life in LTC Homes**

Dr. Janice Keefe, *Professor, Chair*

*Director, NS Centre on Aging*

10:00 am – 10:20 am

*Nutrition Break/Exhibits*

10:20 am – 11:05 am

**Leveraging Diversity**

Arun Jose

*Employment Specialist, Immigrant Refugee Settlement Association*

Tina Hennigar

*Diversity and Inclusion Trainer, MacLeod Group*

Rochelle Visser

*Director of Nursing, The Mount Continuing Care Community*

11:05 am – 11:15 am

**Welcoming activity**

11:15 am – 12:00 pm

**Making Teams Work**

Tina Hennigar

*Diversity and Inclusion Trainer, MacLeod Group*

William McGuigan

*Owner, Operator Dr. John Gillis Memorial Lodge*

Rochelle Visser

*Director of Nursing, The Mount Continuing Care Community*

**12:00 pm – 1:00 pm**

***Lunch (provided)***

1:00 pm – 1:45 pm

**Medications in LTC**

Kilby Rinco

*Director, Pharmacy Services QEH*

1:45 pm – 2:00 pm

*Nutrition Break/Exhibits*

2:00 pm – 2:45 pm

**Recreation and Activities**

Cheryl Young

*Recreation Manager, PE and Beachgrove Home*

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm

*Door prizes/Exhibits*

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

**The future of Long-term Care—Fireside chat**

Jodi Hall, *CEO Canadian Association of LTC*

Christina Phillips, *Director, Seniors Health, Department of Health and Wellness*

Jason Lee, *Chief Executive Officer of Enhanced Living*

Andrew MacDougall, *Executive Director, Community Health & Seniors Care Health PEI*

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm

**Wrap-up**



**Health PEI**

