

## **Retirement Home Resident Network Meeting Synopsis**

Meeting #12 2021 – November 25 2021

### **Welcome**

RHRA reviewed the meeting agenda with the Resident Network.

### **Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario (EAPO)**

A representative from EAPO presented information about the organization including Ontario's strategy to combat elder abuse, statistics, educational topics and programs, how to book an education program and one public service announcement (PSA) video produced by EAPO.

#### Feedback from the Resident Network:

- Some residents are aware of EAPO.
- Some residents have not come across cases of elder abuse, but they advise others to be aware of situations around them and their surroundings.
- Some residents note they may have seen the EAPO PSA and other advertisements showing financial elder abuse.
- One resident noted that they have seen dependent women become victims of abuse as opposed to men.
- One resident shared their view that family members doing everything for their parents and taking away their independence during the pandemic may be considered abuse, because they feel that once someone's independence is taken away, they may never become independent again.
- Residents commented that the EAPO representative gave a very nice presentation.

#### Questions from the Resident Network:

- Has the EAPO considered reaching out to the younger crowd to educate them on elder abuse?
- Is it mostly older women as opposed to older men who experience abuse?

RHRA updated the Resident Network on the RHRA's Board of Directors final decision on RHRA's 2022 fees. RHRA shared that the Board's considerations (ongoing effects of the pandemic, stakeholder consultation feedback, updated financial analysis) made by the RHRA in their decision-making process.

**Action Items for RHRA**

- Share the meeting presentation with the Resident Network.
- Send a poll with meeting options to the Resident Network.
- Share major news related to consultations going to the government for comment with the Resident Network.