



ILTCCABC Grant Quarterly Report to Ministry of Health Q1 2026 January-March 2026

Section 1: Grant Objectives 1, 4, 5. Please list significant Updates Related to Education, Resources, and Strengthening Partnerships Between Operators and Councils during the reporting period (if any). You may also list any regional successes over the reporting period (optional).

Grant Objectives:

1. Create and provide educational info to guide residents and family members about the role and purpose of resident and family councils and how to establish one
4. Be available as a resource for residents and families for information about the regulations, policy guidelines and other information about resident and family councils
5. Help strengthen partnerships between long-term care operators and resident and family councils.

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[Fraser Association of Family Councils](#) FAFC – [CLICK HERE](#) Link to Executive Summary:
[Interior Association of Family Councils](#) IAFC – [CLICK HERE](#) Link to Executive Summary:
[Vancouver Island Association of Family Councils](#) VIAFC - [CLICK HERE](#) Link to Executive Summary:
[Northern Association of Family Councils](#) NAFC - [CLICK HERE](#) Link to Executive Summary:
[Vancouver Coastal Association of Family Councils](#) VCAFC – [CLICK HERE](#) Link to Executive Summary:

Launched 2nd quarterly newsletter to share regional long-term care events and stories of interest; as a way to inform about research opportunities and long-term care news; and SPOTLIGHT family councils across the province:
<https://iltccabc.ca/resources/iltccabc-newsletters/>

Education Portal Resources are now open to the public. We built a navigation guide and the search features help expedite results <https://portal.iltccabc.ca/>

Social Media and Website Report Jan-Mar 2026: [REPORT HERE](#)

Long-Term Care Family Councils - Community and Public Awareness – Our goal at the end of last quarter was “for the public to recognize the council importance before they enter the long-term care home” and “for greater public awareness of the council opportunity upon entering long-term care”.

PSA Substantiation Report:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eJJPVAepann_LKAnt8VdaEmI1eksM4fY/view?usp=sharing

Q1 planning for the PSA launch March 2026: <https://iltccabc.ca/news/iltccabc-launches-new-public-service-announcement-psa/>

Conferences, meetings, presentations, collaborations, participation in research, op-eds, seniors’ advocacy support, conference attendance with Seniors’ Community Advocates:

1. Ministry of Health quarterly meeting January 14 2026: presented

[Low Cost or No Cost Improvements to Long-Term Care](#)

2. BC Budget and Seniors Advocate Report: Questions and Discussion from our regional representatives about the recent Budget lack of inclusion of Seniors supports and claw back of long-term care beds: [Office of the Seniors Advocate](#),

3. Joined a “HealthCareNeedsHomeCare” collaborative advocating for free access to reliable Home Support. Part of



the goal is to lessen the cost, load and waitlist to long-term care. Collaborative consists of: Jewish Seniors Alliance of British Columbia (JSABC), Jewish Seniors Alliance of British Columbia (JSABC), Independent Long Term Care Councils of BC (ILTCCABC), Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations (COSCO), Family Caregivers of BC (FCBC), BC Care Providers Association (BCCPA), Hero Home Care, and BC Health Coalition (BCHC)

4. Feature in **Seniors Living Magazine**: <https://iltccabc.ca/news/article-feature-senior-living-magazine/>

5. Took part in the [2025 NIA Ageing in Canada Survey](#) and discussion

6. ILTCCABC supported VCAFC in the [First Regional Association Live Forum](#)

7. Today Seniors Living Magazine:

- February p.9 advertorial: [NOTHING ABOUT US WITHOUT US](#)

- March p.11 article: [BALLOONING LONG-TERM CARE WAITLISTS SIGNAL URGENT NEED TO REMOVE HOME SUPPORT CO-PAYMENTS, SAY SENIORS' ORGANIZATIONS](#)

8. ILTCCABC showed up to support the Dementia Storytelling and Caregiver Support at [Living Well Storybooks Launch](#)

Our growth has slowed in terms of new councils forming. Most regions report their time, and value has been supporting survival of councils and mentoring them: providing education, answering questions, linking to resources, researching answers, and referring to connections. This report does not ask for a report of the actual work we do to support care homes and councils, which made up the majority of our time this past 3 months. We look forward to further sharing about the support we lend.

Section 2: Grant Objectives 2 and 3. Please complete the below table indicating where assistance was provided to establish a new council or transition a council toward being resident- or family-led.

Grant Objectives:

2. Support residents and families at long-term care homes where no councils exist, and assistance is requested from residents, family members, operators or a health authority to establish a council.

3. Support Residents and families at long-term care homes where councils are in place and assistance is requested from residents, family members or operators, or a health authority to transition to a resident or family led councils
Support where no council exist to establish a council.

New Councils Created and In Progress for the tracking period			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
FH	Chenchenstway	Family	In Progress
FH	Nicola Lodge	Family	In Progress
FH	The Cascades	Staff Led FC	Supported / Active
Total # of New Councils Established: 0			
Total# of New Councils in progress: 3			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
VCH	Adanac Park Lodge	Care Home Town Halls	Management interested in Family Council; family attended VCAFC March 22 live event; in progress
VCH	Amica Lions Gate	No councils in place	Staff-led Town Halls; presented March 31 to 11 families on benefits of independent council; in progress



VCH	AgeCare Lakeview	Care Home Town Halls	Management say families don't want Family Council; no access, will continue to follow up
VCH	Amica Edgemont	No councils in place	Management not replying; no access
VCH	Casa Mia	No councils in place	Management not replying to multiple attempts; no access
VCH	Christenson Village	Unknown	Re-establishment New Interim Manager; followup continues; in progress
VCH	Crofton Manor	FC needs to be restarted	Management open to support; followup continues to restart FC; in progress
VCH	Dogwood Lodge	No councils in place	Presentation given plus in-person tour; change in staff again; followup continues; in progress
VCH	Dr. Peter AIDS Foundation	No councils in place	Preliminary conversation only; followup continues
VCH	Finnish Home	Staff Led Resident and Family Council	Management and families resistant to change; happy with current Staff-led combined council
VCH	Hamilton High Street Residence	Unknown	Family at location tried. Lack of mgt support. Will try again. In progress
VCH	Little Mountain Place	Independent Family Council	Management change; Phone support continues with Family Chair to help struggling FC in progress
VCH	Oak Care Centre	Resident Council Led by CARMA	New Interim Manager open to a FC presentation; waiting for date; in progress
VCH	Pinegrove Place	Independent Family Council and Resident Council	Management say Councils meet regularly and do not require our support; no access
VCH	Royal Arch Masonic Home	No councils in place	Management resistant; believes a family council should create a Facebook group and not via care home (too much admin for LTCH staff)
VCH	Silverstone	Independent Family Council	New Update: Independent Family Council meet monthly; established
VCH	South Granville Park Lodge	No councils in place	Presentation given to 14 families; in progress
VCH	St. Vincent's Brock Fahrni	No councils in place	Multiple attempts to connect; follow up continues;



VCH	S.U.C.C.E.S.S Simon K.Y. Lee Seniors Care Hm	No councils in place	Management not replying; no access
VCH	Villa Caritel	No councils in place	Management not replying; no access yet
Total # of New Councils Established: 1 re-established Total# of New Councils in progress: 9 (Total# of Connections this period– No Access/No reply = 9)			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
IH	Kaigo-Mission Creek Kelowna	Family Council	A family member has responded to lead a Family Council. Contact has been made by RA. Family member will attend our May 22 forum. Note that the Recreational Therapist at the facility will also attend.
IH	Columbia View/Invermere	Family Council	Recreational therapist has responded to contact made by RA. Currently only a staff-led Resident Council. Has recently hosted a family forum and the Recreational Therapist at the facility will also attend.
IH	Sienna-Mariposa Gardens, Penticton	Family Council	Recently formed Council. Recreational Therapist has reached out asking for RA support – to help the Council identify its mission and purpose, clarify meeting protocols.
Total # of New Councils Established: 0 Total# of New Councils in progress: 3			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
VIH	Oakwood Manor	FC	Advice to a newly formed FC
VIH	Amica Jubilee House	FC and RC	Contact to support FC in progress. Resident-led Council without a chair because Resident has passed away.
VIH	Amica on the Gorge	FC	Starting process to create a FC where one does not exist.
VIH	The Heights	FC	Provided support: Attended both regular FC meetings as well as FC Executive meetings
VIH	Discovery Harbour	FC	Continued support to the FC: Chaired regular FC meetings as well as worked with mgt
VIH	Nanaimo Seniors Village	FC	Continued support to the FC: Chaired FC meetings and also provided info to mgt on various issues.



VIH	Mount St. Mary's	FC	Made contact with the representative of a new resident.
VIH	Contacted and "testing the waters" for interest at three care homes, one in Campbell River, one in Courtney and one in Nanaimo	FC	Made contact with a family member-no existing council.
Total Number of new councils established: 0 Total Number of councils in progress: 8 supported / 6 in progress			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
NH	Stuart Nechako Manor, Vanderhoof	Family & resident council	No chair, established but NAFC continues to lead, in progress (53 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Nats'oojeh , Ft. St. James	Family & resident	No chair, In progress, led by NAFC member and staff (18 beds NHA NHA owned/operated)
NH	The Pines, Burns lake	Family & resident	Chair led, Established but low attendance, NAFC member has mentored ,supporting (36 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Smithers Bulkley Lodge	none	Management has set barriers (56 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Hazelton Wrinch Memorial Hospital 2	none	sent- no response (12 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Houston Houston Health Centre		sent- no response (7 beds NHA owned /operated)
NH	Prince George Birchview Residences	None	(20 beds NFP Birchview Residence Ltd) Reached out but no reply from progress
NH	Prince George Rainbow Lodge	none	(19 beds NHA owned/operated) in progress
NH	Haida Gwaii Hospital and Health Centre	none	(8 beds NHA owned/operated) No contact
NH	Masset Northern Haida Gwaii Hospital and Health Centre		(4 beds NHA owned/operated) No contact
NH	Prince Rupert Acropolis Manor	Family & Resident	Needs new chair, working to get meeting set up in progress (61 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Chetwynd		No contact (7 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Fort Nelson	None	No interest , distance concerns Will circle back in 6 months (7 beds, NHA owned/operated)
NH	Prince George Jubilee Lodge	None	Connected with Families, have tried to follow up - in progress (66 beds, NHA owned/operated)



Total # of New Councils Established: 3 (two led by NAFC temporarily)

Total# of New Councils in progress: 3

(Total# care homes contacted without reply or set barriers: 7)

ILTCABC Total # of New Councils Established: 4

ILTCABC Total # of In Progress: 24

Councils Transitioned to Resident/Family-Led and In Progress for the tracking period

HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
NH	Prince George Simon Fraser Lodge	Family & resident	Chair led, active,(130 beds For-Profit Buron Health)
NH	Prince George Gateway Lodge Residential Care	Family & resident	Chair led, active (125 bed NHA owned/operated)
NH	Prince George Parkside		(58 beds NHA owned/operated) in progress
NH	Quesnel Dunrovin Park Lodge	Family & Resident	Chair led, active 120 beds NHA owned/operated
NH	Terrace view Lodge	Family & Resident	Chair led, active (99 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Kitimat Mountainview Lodge	Family & Resident	Chair led, Active (36 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Ft. st John, Peace Villa	Family & Resident	Chair led, active (116 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Dawson creek Rotary Manor	Family	Chair led & NAFC supported, active (117 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	Mackenzie/ District Hospital		No contact (4 beds NHA owned/operated)
NH	McBride and District Hospital 2		No contact (9 beds NHA owned/operated)

Total # of Transitioned Councils Completed: 7

Total # of Transitioned Councils in progress: 1

(Challenged to secure a connection = 2)

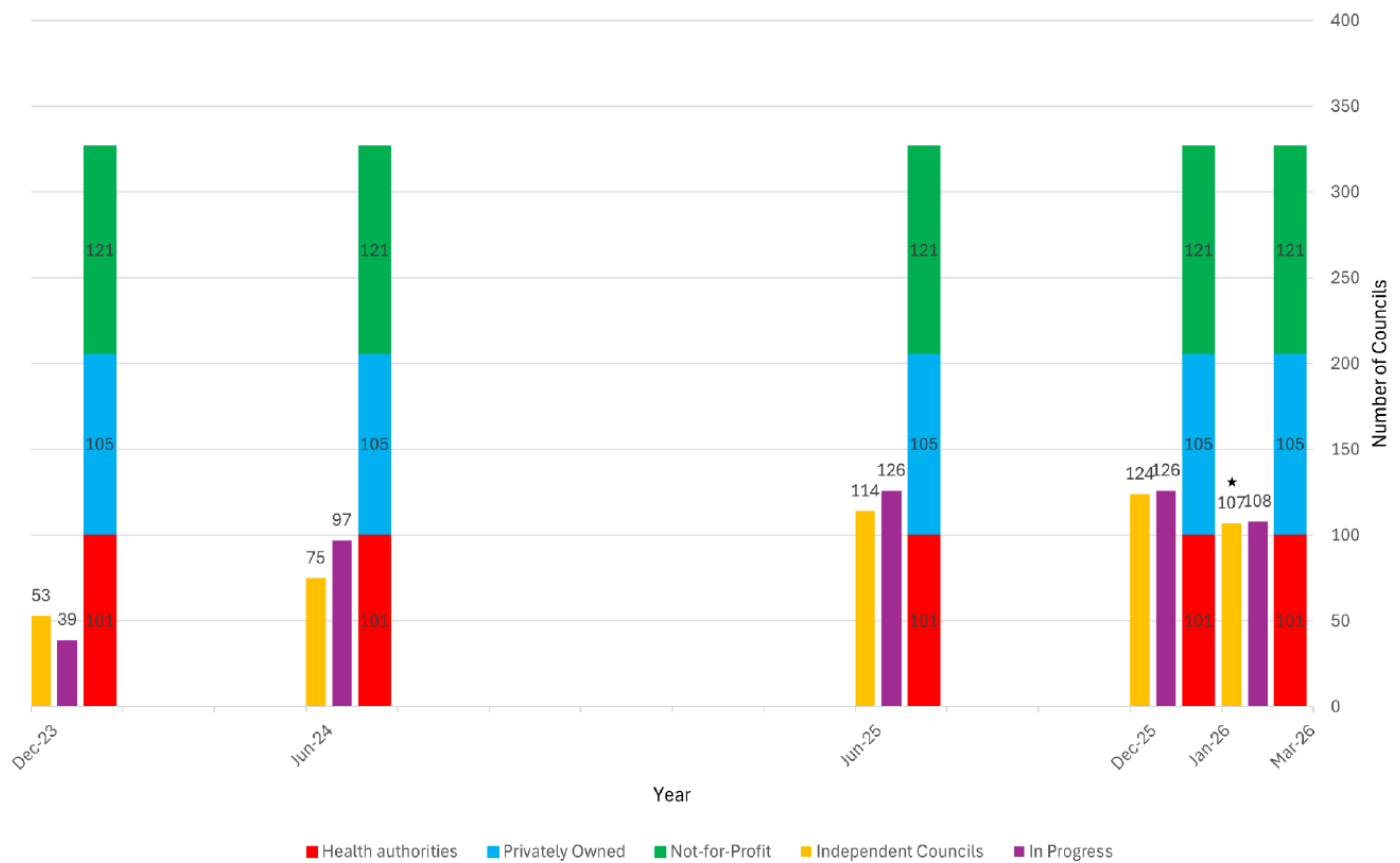
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
VIH	Comox Valley Seniors Village	FC	In progress- from Independent FC to Management Led to Mgt/VIAFC co-chaired -in process of recruiting a family member as Chair
VIH	Chartwell Memory Care	FC	In progress- from Independent FC with a Chair and Vice-chair to a FC which one FC member is taking care of but there is no Chair



VIH	Luther Court	FC	Currently staff-led. Made contact.
Total # of Transitioned Councils Completed January 1, 2026 – March 31, 2026: 0			
Total # of Transitioned Councils in progress January 1, 2026 – March 31, 2026: 3			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
VCH	Fraserview	Staff Led Resident and Family Council	Management open to a presentation; in progress
VCH	Hamilton Village Care Centre	Staff Led Family Council	Management open to a presentation; in progress
VCH	Minoru Residence	Staff led RC meets monthly; Staff Led Quarterly Town Hall Meetings for family	Invited to attend May 2026 meeting; language is a barrier (mostly Chinese speaking) so might require an interpreter; in progress
VCH	Renfrew Care Centre	Staff Led Family Council and Resident Council	Management open to considering a presentation; in progress
VCH	Royal Ascot Care Home	Staff Led Resident and Family Council	Management interested in support to transition FC; waiting for date; in progress
Total # of Transitioned Councils Completed: 0			
Total # of Transitioned Councils in progress: 5			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
IH	Trinity Care Centre, Penticton	Resident & Family	Staff-led Resident & Family Council. Recreational Therapist has responded to contact made by RA. Will attend our May 22 forum.
Total # of Transitioned Councils Completed: 0			
Total # of Transitioned Councils in progress: 1			
HA	LTC Home	Type of Council(s)	Status
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Total # of Transitioned Councils Completed: 0			
Total # of Transitioned Councils in progress: 0			
ILTCCABC Total # of Transitioned Councils Completed: 7			
ILTCCABC Total # of Transitioned Councils in progress: 10			

Insert ILTCCABC Growth Chart:

Growth of independent and in progress family councils* 2023-2026



Region	#ILTCABC supported forming or transitioning Family Councils, where there exists a resident & family council	# Family Council In progress forming or transitioning or staff led . Contact established but no council or no <u>self led</u> council yet	Total # LTC homes in region (public/private/contracted that we know of)	# care homes no connection or response from efforts to connect (no potential currently)
NAFC	13*	11	24	6
FAFC	19*	25	84	40
IAFC	11*	13	82	58
VCAFC	41*	30	74	3
VIAFC	23*	29	84	32
BC	107	108	348	139

* We are only reporting family councils or combined RFC at this time. Most family councils liaise with resident council on agendas, minutes, projects and advocacy. We have not tallied how many resident councils exist or are at all self-directed.



Changes in tracking numbers from December 31 2025:

1. Total independent councils in connection with the regional associations.

For 2026 we are now reporting Family Councils or Resident/Family Councils only (**no resident councils**) Previous reports have reflected up to 13 residents' councils in a reporting period.

These councils include those who have formed with our support, councils who have connected with us and are now members or re-formed or transitioned from staff led.

2. Total in Progress represents care homes where there is **connection and progress** to inform, educate, inspire, support and act as an ongoing resource regarding forming or transitioning councils.

This number now does not include those connections we have made simply by email with no reply. Some regions have chosen to list those separately.

For these reasons, our numbers have declined over last period, but we feel more accurately reflect the councils which exist or are in progress. The number of care homes not responding to regional association offer of education and support is worthy to note because it is a barrier to our effectiveness.

Additionally,

- Between January-March 2026, all our regions have experienced council decline where families have lost their loved ones in care and are stepping away from leading councils. Rebuilding or re-establishing councils has become a significant part of our time supporting councils.
- We even have some regional associations stepping in personally, to help sustain council momentum