

## **Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) Summary**

**Public Body or Custodian: Intercare Corporate Group Inc.**

**Project Title: Minimum Data Set Assessment (MDS) using Wescom - PointClickCare Implementation**

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### **Project Summary:**

#### **Mandate**

Alberta Health and Wellness mandated the implementation of the InterRai Minimum Data Set (MDS) Assessment tool. To facilitate the implementation of this tool Intercare Corporate Group (Intercare) choose to use an electronic option using Wescom – PointClickCare software.

#### **Purpose**

The Implementation of the InterRai MDS 2.0 assessment tool is changing the structure of the basic assessment information that we currently collect. It is a standardized tool that provides a comprehensive, standardized reliable assessment of each resident's cognitive, behavioural, functional and medical status. The assessment data is used to develop individualized resident care plans with the goal of maximizing quality of care. The use of this tool will allow the Province and individual operators to compare themselves to other facilities to facilitate best practice.

#### **Scope**

The project will include the introduction of the MDS Assessment Tool and the PointClickCare software to operationalize it. The project includes 579 beds at four facilities in Calgary: Brentwood Care Centre, Chinook Care Centre, Intercare at Millrise and Southwood Care Centre. The 28 Hospice beds we operate are not included in this project.

PointClickCare uses an Internet based platform that facilitates ease of access at the organizational level. All terminals will be operating with the same version of the software at the same time. Terminals will be located on each nursing unit at

each Intercare site to facilitate ease of data entry throughout the day. Additional terminals will be located in other quiet work areas to promote ease of access during the course of their regular work duties.

### **Participants**

The objective is to have on-line data entry and access to information by all members of the interdisciplinary assessment team providing care to the residents. This includes Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Social Workers, Recreational Therapists, Dieticians, Pharmacists and Physicians. From the assessment Resident Assessment Protocols will be triggered which will be used to develop the resident care plan. Management staff will use the quality indicators and outcomes indicators to evaluate the quality of care and to make comparisons across units and facilities. The evaluation of the outcomes will lead to program changes to improve care to the residents that we serve.

External to Intercare the Calgary Health Region, Alberta Health & Wellness and Canadian Institute of Health Information will use the information submitted to improve the quality of the programs that are provided across the Region and Province.

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