



**THE UNITED CHURCH HOME FOR SENIOR CITIZENS, INC.  
DREW NURSING HOME - TANTRAMAR RESIDENCES**

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Prior to the Pandemic our nursing home was busy working on various initiatives. As a priority in our Strategic Plan, we were focused on moving forward with the Eden Alternative. This year we were fortunate to have had a three day training session in which fifteen employees attended. A committee was set up and busy planning new projects. Although presently we are at somewhat of a standstill, we will continue our journey with the Eden Philosophy, we need to take baby steps and implement small changes. A goal of our team is to transition from a task focused model of care to more resident directed care.

Since the Global Pandemic was declared, our main focus has been to do everything possible to keep our residents safe. Many measures have been put in place and to date we are doing very well in New Brunswick nursing homes. This has been a difficult time for both our residents and staff. The residents have not had family visits or large group activities since early March. Our staff have had to adjust in many ways to help keep everyone safe. The activity department is spending much of their time visiting residents one on one as well as coordinating video chats with residents and families.

Prior to the pandemic, the Home was also closely involved with the Memory Café as well as helping to make Sackville an Age Friendly Community.

In Closing, on behalf of the board and staff of The United Church Home For Senior Citizens, Inc. we will continue to work to keep our residents well and safe as we all work together to get through this challenging time. We look forward to getting back to our normal routine and having residents, families and volunteers reunited.

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