2026 Long-Term Care Services Priorities

Bruce County Long-Term Care Services is committed to enhancing resident care, supporting our workforce, and strengthening connections with our communities. Throughout 2026, several key initiatives will help advance innovation, quality improvement, staff engagement, and age-friendly planning across Brucelea Haven and Gateway Haven.

1. **InterRAI & Clinical Pathway Enhancement**

Timeline: Q1 2026

Implementation of the new interRAI Long-Term Care assessment system and evidence-based RNAO Clinical Pathways will support more personalized care planning, improved clinical decision-making, and enhanced resident outcomes. This initiative will strengthen the use of data and best practices to guide care delivery.

2. **Paperless Kitchen Technology**

Timeline: Q2 2026

Both long-term care homes will implement a paperless kitchen system to modernize dietary services, improve meal accuracy, and enhance the dining experience for residents. The new technology will support efficiency, sustainability, and individualized nutrition management.

3. **Staff Development & Wellness Initiative**

Timeline: Q3 2026

A dedicated Long-Term Care Staff Development Day will focus on staff wellness, professional growth, and team engagement. This initiative reflects our commitment to supporting frontline team members and fostering a positive workplace culture.

4. **Accreditation Readiness**

Timeline: Q3 2026

Preparation for accreditation will continue through internal assessments and quality reviews. This work will help ensure our homes are aligned with leading practices and demonstrate our commitment to safe, resident-centered care and continuous improvement.

5. **Age-Friendly Bruce County Strategy**

Timeline: Q4 2026

Building on community engagement completed in 2025, Bruce County will develop an Age-Friendly Strategy and Action Plan to support healthy aging, community inclusion, and aging in place. The strategy will be informed by community input and aligned with internationally recognized age-friendly principles.