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Dear Parkview families,

At Parkview, we are always looking to improve our practices. We have been working with the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario (RNAO) for the last 4 years to implement several of their best practice guidelines (BPGs). Our focus at present is oral care.

We know that regular, thorough oral hygiene is crucial for good health as poor oral hygiene has been linked to serious medical conditions. Unfortunately for some of our residents it isn't just as easy as brushing their teeth twice a day. Some residents have dementia or other conditions that limit their ability to understand the importance of oral hygiene which can make it difficult for staff to assist them.

This BPG will help our staff learn new techniques to assist all of our residents in oral care. Part of this plan is also to change our residents' toothbrushes at least every 3 months. We are asking that families provide 4 toothbrushes for their loved one so we can change the toothbrush as per this 3 monthly schedule. If you could be so kind to purchase these and bring them in to Parkview, we will be happy to label and store them until they are needed.

We appreciate your support as we continue to improve our practices and invite you to call us anytime with questions about our best practice work, what we've done and where we see ourselves in the future in relation to implementation of BPGs.

Thank you and all the best from Parkview's BPG team!

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Enhancing quality of life one best practice at a time