



Shoreham Partnership with Northwood a Win-Win

August 25, 2015 – The future of Chester’s Shoreham Village Home for Special Care has been secured through an innovative partnership with Northwood Group of Companies announced today by Shoreham’s Board of Directors.

“Over the past eighteen months we have explored how to ensure that Shoreham continues to provide quality safe resident care and serve the community as a leader in long term care. We found that we needed a partner that would enhance our staff and resources in delivering our mission. Northwood has proven to be that partner,” says Susan Neilson, Chair of the Board of Directors for Shoreham Village.

Increasing costs and changing expectations in the delivery of long term care services paired with reduced funding has meant that Shoreham needed to find ways to reduce operating costs while not compromising resident care.

“This partnership with Northwood is a win-win,” says Alice Leverman, Chief Executive Officer of Shoreham Village. “By integrating our operational, management and clinical expertise with Northwood, Shoreham will continue to provide excellent care for our residents within our available resources.”

The objective of the partnership is to find efficiencies in operating costs by reducing duplication in management and administrative functions and focusing resources on resident care. Shoreham will maintain its unique identity and continue to be governed by its Board of Directors, while benefiting from the resources available through the larger organization. This new agreement builds on the strategic partnership entered by Shoreham and Northwood in October 2014, which offered Shoreham access to Northwood’s clinical, human resource and operational expertise.

“Shoreham Village and Northwood share similar origins and values as people centered not for profit service providers with a strong sense of community. We plan to build on that foundation going forward,” says Northwood CEO Janet Simm.

Shoreham Village Senior Citizens Association was founded by a group of local citizens in 1974 as a non-profit organization and is governed by a volunteer board of directors. Shoreham Village is home to 89 residents and has over 160 employees and more than 150 volunteers.

Northwood’s Head Office is located in Dartmouth and has facilities and services in Halifax and Bedford. Northwood Group of Companies serves over 6,500 clients daily, providing various programs and services in long term care, residential care, assisted living, seniors’ housing, adult day programming, home care and community outreach initiatives. Northwood has over 1,600 staff, 500 volunteers and was recognized as one of Atlantic Canada’s and Nova Scotia’s best employers in 2014.

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