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Re: *Home Care services face deep cuts*, October 15, 2010

The recent announcement by the HNHB CCAC limiting home care service is deeply concerning to the Board of the Ontario Home Care Association. It goes without saying that the loss of home care service will create hardship and increased stress for individuals and their caregivers. Beyond this, the contraction of home care will affect the function of the health care system in the HNHB LHIN. Expanded home care service is vital to realizing a sustainable health system in Ontario. Home care service is a protective factor and supports the smooth function of our hospitals and nursing homes. The mandate and funding for home care needs to be broadened so that more people can receive care in the home. Health system reform depends on this expansion.

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