



McCormick Home and Alzheimer Outreach Services Earn Highest Ranking in Latest National Accreditation Review

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LONDON, ON -- McCormick Home, a long-term care facility established in London in 1892, and the support programs it offers through Alzheimer Outreach Services for those impacted by dementia, have received an Accreditation with Exemplary Standing -- the highest rating given by Accreditation Canada for its quadrennial review of the quality of the nation's health services organizations.

According to Accreditation Canada's evaluation, "Organizations that become accredited with [us] do so as a mark of pride and as a way to create a strong and sustainable culture of quality and safety. [We] commend McCormick Home for its ongoing work to integrate accreditation into its operations to improve the quality and safety of its programs and services."

"For more than 30 years, McCormick Home has participated in this voluntary accreditation review process," says Steve Crawford, CEO of the WCA, the home's governing organization. "Taking the time to measure our performance against the accreditation guidelines is an important part of ensuring that we are not only meeting the needs of our clients but also that we continue to strive for excellence in all the work that we do."

While McCormick Home is proud to have achieved superior accreditation ratings over the last several years, this year marks the second Exemplary Standing level received by the home. It achieved this superior ranking when it was last reviewed in 2012.

"There is a lot of work involved in regularly reviewing and improving our policies and processes," adds Crawford. "Our staff and volunteers are to be commended for their ongoing commitment to achieving the highest professional standards in the care industry."

McCormick Home is a 160-bed non-profit long-term care facility established in London by the WCA 120 years ago. It has a proud history of providing high quality care for seniors and others requiring long-term care. It is also the home of Alzheimer Outreach Services, which has provided quality care to individuals with Alzheimer disease and related dementias and to their caregivers for more than 25 years.

The WCA is a non-denominational charitable organization based in London, Ontario. Founded in 1874 as the Women's Christian Association, the WCA has a long and remarkable history of providing compassionate care to the community, including the establishment of McCormick Home, Alzheimer Outreach Services, Parkwood Hospital and Wellspring London and Region.

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