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**Attn: Assignment Editor**

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Government Announcement on Long-term Care Hearings Imminent: Coalitions Respond Across Ontario (for Wednesday December 12th)**

The new act covering nursing homes has passed second reading. Bill 140 has been referred to committee to be sent out to hearing across Ontario. Locations for those communities have not yet been announced. The Bill will have significant impact on all Ontario communities, affecting all nursing homes, charitable homes, and municipal homes. Issues about access and care levels have been prominent in the news on a regular basis for years. This Act is the culmination of many years of government promises to address conditions in the homes.

Press Conferences will be held as follows:

#### **Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Toronto 10 am** -- Toronto Health Coalition, Trinity St. Pauls United Church, 427 Bloor St. W,  
Contact Natalie Mehra 416-230-2402

**Thunder Bay 11:15 am** – CAW Local 229, Syndicate Avenue North, Suite 512, Contact  
Evelina Pan, 807-344-5027

#### **Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Sudbury 11:00 am** – Navy League Hall, 19 Regent St. South, Contact Anne Marie McInnis,  
705-698-7655

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