POLICY AND PROCEDURE

CATEGORY: Administration	SUBJECT: Smoking	SECTION: S POLICY: 3
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SMOKING

PREAMBLE:

Tobacco smoke has been identified by health Authorities throughout the world as a serious health hazard to both smokers and non-smokers.

POLICY:

As a health care agency, the Learnington Mennonite Home recognizes its role and responsibility to promote a smoke free environment in the interest of preventative health. To ensure resident, staff and visitor health and safety, smoking is prohibited in the Home. As a smoke free facility, the Learnington Mennonite Home does not accept applications from prospective residents who are smokers.

Resident(s) who smoke and who were admitted prior to the smoke free policy of the Home, and staff may smoke outside only. The designated smoking area is (9) nine metres from the closest building and is located in the back southwest corner of the Long Term Care staff parking lot.

Those residents(s) who smoke and who were admitted to the Home prior to the existing smoke free policy will be allowed to smoke in the designated area outside the Home providing they are mobile and able to smoke on their own.

Where mobility and the ability to smoke alone can not be demonstrated by resident(s), those resident(s) are no longer able to smoke in or outside the facility.