



Media Release

St. Joseph's Health Centre Celebrates World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

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World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15 - attempts to shine a light on the problem of physical, emotional, and financial abuse of elders around the world. In June each year, Ontario celebrates seniors and recognizes the contributions they make to our communities. As part of our senior's month celebrations St. Joseph's Health Centre is participating in World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

The day aims to focus global attention on the problem of physical, emotional, and financial abuse of elders. It also seeks to understand the challenges and opportunities presented by an ageing population, and brings together senior citizens, and their caregivers, national and local government, academics, and the private sector to exchange ideas about how best to reduce incidents of violence towards elders, increase reporting of such abuse, and to develop elder friendly policies. Estimates indicate that by 2050, the global population of people above the age of 60 will exceed the number of younger people.

In recognition, staff at each of the St. Joseph's Health Centre Long Term Care Homes, namely, St. Joseph's Villa and Villa St. Gabriel Villa joined together and wore "purple" to encourage attention and bring awareness to this issue.



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