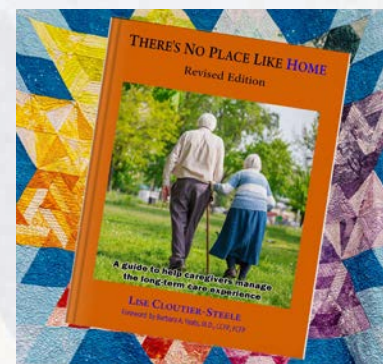


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The 2025 Revised PDF Edition of *There's No Place Like Home: A guide to help caregivers manage the long-term care experience* by Lise Cloutier-Steele is **NOW AVAILABLE** from www.ottawacaregiver.com.



Ottawa – On June 10, 2025, CBC News reported that the Ontario government is proposing to restrict public access to long-term care (LTC) home inspection reports. Under the proposal tabled in early June by Minister of Red Tape Reduction Andrea Khanjin, the reports would be available for three years before being removed from the website. “It’s very clear here that it’s to shield the bad reputations of repeated bad actors in long-term care from having their records of non-compliance being made visible,” said Vivian Stamatopoulos, a professor of Ontario Tech University and long-term care advocate.

Given this recent development, caregivers need to arm themselves with all the current information they can gather about the long-term care experience, and *There's No Place Like Home* can help them get it right for themselves and their loved ones.

As she did in the 2023 edition, Lise writes about the current conditions in care facilities, as well as her experience and lessons learned as her late father’s guardian and advocate while he resided in a long-term care home for a period of over three years. The book is a reality check combined with practical advice to help caregivers navigate health care systems, and maintain healthy family relationships that are often tested to the limit if all involved are not prepared for the challenges associated with long-term care.

The book’s main features remain:

1. a comprehensive guide for caregivers on their search for a good care home, complete with lists of important questions to ask before agreeing to admit a loved one to a facility;
2. a discussion on the ongoing impact of COVID on the long-term care sector, and what our governments are doing, or not doing about it; and
3. the chapters on where to go to complain, and what to expect from authorities responsible for the oversight of long-term care facilities, provide insight into health care systems that are sometimes too rigid to allow for compassion.

But Lise is especially proud to announce that the **2025 Revised PDF Edition of *There's No Place Like Home*** features a compelling contribution on caregiving and grief by **Jill Schneiderman**, Toronto publicist and directorial editor of DIVINE magazine, www.divine.ca, and an extensive report on who’s taking care of long-term care by **Mick Gzowski** of www.gzowskifilms.ca. Mick’s report was previously published in the 2025 Spring Edition of SAGE, *The Voice of Federal Retirees*, www.federalretirees.ca.

Another important feature of the 2025 Revised Edition is the inclusion of information on the **2024 Inspections Report Card** released by **Concerned Friends**, www.concernedfriends.ca, a volunteer-run registered charity that has been in existence for more than 40 years, and which continues to be committed to the advancement of the health and well-being of those living in long-term care facilities across Ontario. The report by Concerned Friends highlights the critical issues that emerged following their exhaustive review of all ministry inspection reports for 2024.

Lastly, the revised edition provides new extensive lists of current media briefs, with links to full reports about long-term care in Ontario, across Canada and in other parts of the world to help caregivers make more informed decisions about institutionalized care for a loved one.

All proceeds from book sales are used to buy quilts for residents of care facilities who no longer have any friends or family to advocate on their behalf.

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