Recommendation

1. That Report LTCR-CM-09-18 regarding the Case Mix Index be received for information.

Executive Summary

Case Mix Classification, also known as the Case Mix Index (CMI), is a complex process that groups individuals into categories that reflect the relative costs of services and supports they are likely to use.

The CMI sets the acuity based funding and is also used as a staff planning tool and for health system planning. During the 1st quarter of each year, long term care homes are notified of their CMI funding for a 12 month period (the funding year is April-March). The 2018-2019 CMI funding has recently been announced.

Background and Discussion

Long term care homes complete regular resident assessments that classify residents with similar needs and acuity levels. The assessments are uploaded electronically where they are processed through weighted case mix formulas and each resident is placed into one of 34 different grouping categories. The information is then used provincially to calculate the home’s per diem funding for the Nursing and Personal Care envelope.

Data is submitted quarterly and combined to establish an average level of care during the
reporting period. CMI funding from April 1, 2018-March 31, 2019 is calculated on assessments submitted between April 2016 and March 2017. The changes and 2018 budget impact are outlined in the following table.

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Legal and Legislated Requirements

It is a legislated requirement for long term care homes to complete and submit resident assessments on admission, readmission, quarterly and with any major change in condition.

Financial and Resource Implications

The CMI is directly related to the Nursing and Personal Care envelope and any expenditure must be meet specific eligibility criteria.

The 2018 budget was set using the 2017 CMI and there will be no negative impact to the budget related to the CMI. In conjunction with the operational review, each of the homes will be reviewing opportunities for sustaining, maintaining or improving services within the nursing department.

Relevant Consultation

☒ Internal Home Administrators, Finance Department
☐ External (list)

Appendices and Attachments

None