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TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This petition of the certificated Personal Care Assistants (PCA's) working at Belmont Community Nursing Home (Belmont) draws to the attention of the House:  
Nursing homes should have a recognised benchmark to indicate the minimum ratio of PCA's to residents to achieve clinical governance best practice.

We therefore ask the House to:  
Recognise the Belmont benchmark to indicate the minimum ratio of PCA's to residents to achieve clinical governance best practice is:

- Morning shift – Five (5) residents to one (1) PCA in a seven (7) hours shift period.
- Afternoon shift – Ten (10) residents to one (1) PCA in a six (6) hours shift period.
- Night shift – Seventeen (17) residents to one (1) PCA in a ten (10) hours shift period