

## KELOWNA AND DISTRICT SOCIETY FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

### **POLICY: RESIDENT CARE, SOCIAL ACCESS AND VISITORS**

**Applies to:** Residence Personnel, Service Recipients, Families, Advocates and Caregivers

### **PREAMBLE**

KDSCL recognizes and acknowledges the licensing requirements of the Community Care Facilities Act, and in so doing, recognizes the Person In Charge (supervisor) and his/her designates as the primary caregivers who are responsible for the health, safety and well being of each individual residing at 1976 Richter Street.

As stated in the Community Care Facility Policy and Procedures Manual - Chapter 11 "A service which involves supervision; involves overseeing/directing the daily activities of the individuals in care; or, providing care to individuals enrolled/residing in the facility. In these facilities, the responsibility for the safety and well being of the individual(s) in care has transferred at least in part from the individual to the facility/care provider".

### **POLICY**

KDSCL will ensure the health, safety and well being of the residents by teaching and assisting them to make informed choices in their home and community to promote opportunities for positive, safe interactions.

Residents have the right to have visitors and guests providing they do not compromise the health, safety and well being of the residents.

With their permission or on their behalf, residential staff will facilitate and encourage communications between residents, their friends and family when arranging social outings while at all times honouring the wishes of the residents.

Parents, siblings and close friends do not require a criminal records check prior to accessing the community with the residents. Anyone unfamiliar to the individual, their family or advocate must have a criminal record check completed unless KDSCL staff are present during the outing.

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