

**Leamington Mennonite Home
Long Term Care & Retirement Residence**

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

CATEGORY: Resident Care	SUBJECT: Pain Management Philosophy	SECTION: P POLICY: 2
DATE: September 2004	Administrator's Signature: _____	

PAIN MANAGEMENT PHILOSOPHY

We believe that pain relief is a choice and the right of each resident as it facilitates optimal comfort, functioning and enhances quality of life. The management of pain is integral to the to the mission and the Theology of Care of the Leamington Mennonite Home. The interdisciplinary team will provide comprehensive care which includes the recognition, assessment and management of pain following the Pain Management Guidelines. Pain relief requires individualized treatment of total pain: Physical, Psychological, Social and Spiritual. Comprehensive pain management is achieved through the effective use of individualized pharmacological tailoring and non-pharmacological interventions.