



Independent Long-Term Care
Councils Association of BC

Spotlight On Gateway Family Council



Northern Association of Family
Councils (NAFC)

Spotlight: Gateway Family Council & Northern Association of Family Councils

Advanced Care Planning, March 26, 2026

The Gateway Family & Resident Council in Prince George and NAFC held an Advanced Care Planning presentation by a Nidus volunteer. We invited Long-term Care Families as well as Assisted Living residents. We followed up by inviting several Northern Health family councils to join in on another TEAMS virtual presentation on March 5.



We have learned that although a representative agreement was in place for most residents, many families had neglected to have these important documents for themselves.

This information and documents are available in the MOH Yellow book, **MY VOICE**.

The Nidus Personal Planning Resource Centre is a non-profit, charitable organization.

- Gord, the representative from Nidus, provided an overview of personal planning and legal documentation options in British Columbia.
- Topics included representation agreements (Section 7 and Section 9), enduring powers of attorney, and advance directives.
- Explained key differences between **Section 7 and Section 9** representation agreements, including scope and legal requirements.
- Emphasized the importance of proactive planning, especially as individuals approach age 19 when parental authority ends.
- Used real-life examples to illustrate practical applications, such as healthcare decisions, financial management, and personal care.
- Highlighted benefits of proper legal documentation, including avoiding court expenses and enabling loved ones to make informed decisions if capacity is lost.