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**Elder Mediation Committee Report  
Prepared for the 2015 FMC Annual General Meeting  
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The Elder Mediation Committee for 2015 was comprised of the following FMC members:

Chair: Elizabeth Reagh	Patricia Donihee
Judy McCann-Beranger	Elizabeth Sterritt
Anita Dorczak	Lynn Dykeman

We are pleased that every member of the Elder Mediation Committee holds certification as an Elder Mediator. Colleen Currie moved on to her other commitments this year. We are very grateful to her for the time she served and for her ongoing support.

It is with great sadness that we had to announce the death of fellow committee member and certified Elder Mediator, Andrew Pavey on October 24, 2014. Our thoughts remain with his family as they recently recognized the first anniversary of his passing.

1. This past year the EM Committee:

- Revised the EM certification maintenance form to match the FMC Family certification form.
- Introduced and promoted the EM brochure that was approved by the FMC Board last year.
- Continued to work on promotion of Elder Mediation and follow up with the Ministries of Health and Seniors.
- Chair Elizabeth Reagh sent an article on Bill 356 to *News and Happenings* to build awareness of dementia care issues.

2. Topics discussed during the year that will have ongoing implications for Elder Mediators include: the federal government's *Assisted Dying Initiative* which will involve a six-month tour to probe Canadians' views on assisted dying; the importance of the promotion of research on Elder Mediation - both short and long term, and the *New Vision of Aging for Canada* CARP Report - to name but a few.

Our Committee is currently discussing a marketing plan for the promotion of Elder Mediation.

A special thank-you to Carrie and the Board of Directors for their ongoing support of Elder Mediation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Strong Reagh  
Elder Mediation Committee Chair  
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