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- c) provide funding for more community beds to shorten waiting and ensure staff ratio for quality care
- d) restore funds removed from system, after 1995, to provide quality services and
- e) funds be added to reduce waiting lists for day programs, respite care, etc.
- f) ensure, in amalgamating and tendering services, that high standards be required and funding provided to maintain services
- g) review funding for Ontario schools to ensure special needs and extra costs of providing service be taken into account so services are not cut or overloaded

99.04 Funding and Standards for Home Care

- a) ensure standards be of high quality and strongly enforced
- b) provide funding to guarantee sick and frail access to care their condition requires
- c) fund services on same basis as hospital care, i.e., cover prescription drugs, therapies, etc., through OHIP

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- a) primary mission of providers be well-being of consumers rather than profitability of enterprise
- b) consumers be consulted by an independent evaluation team when a contract is under review and review be on a regular, frequent basis

99.06 Health Care: Premature Hospital Discharge

- a) enough acute care beds to avoid premature discharge
- b) discharge team consider patient home situation to coordinate transition seeking input of patient, family, and Community Care Access Centre representatives

99.07 Health Care: Local Accountability

- a) establish Health Councils in each region/municipality with redefined public health department
- b) with authority to monitor all aspects of integrated health care system and
- c) report regularly through local government
- d) ensure priorities for action in restructuring health care be established with local input.

99.08 Energy Future for Ontario

- a) review issue of decommissioning nuclear stations to develop timetable for Bruce and Pickering A and set up fund for same
- b) amend Bill 35 to enhance promotion of energy conservation and renewable energy by mandatory quotas
- c) funding and renewable energy research through use of a Systems Benefit Charge on all electricity
 d) disclosure of fuel sources and emissions through labelling
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