**LET’S PLAY BALL !**

A HOW TO GUIDE FOR USING

**THE** **STORY BALL**

You will find in your tool kit, a beach ball of all things!

The ball has been transformed into a tool for sharing.

Each panel on the beach ball has a question or phrase which invites those “playing” to share stories and facts about themselves.

So, inflate the ball, gather some neighbors and staff and arrange yourselves in a circle.

You can pass the ball to the person next to you or toss the ball to anyone in the circle.

The panel closest to the right thumb of the person receiving the ball is the question or phrase they will answer/discuss.

The group can go around the room a few times and give participants an opportunity to explore several different questions or phrases.

This should prove to be an excellent way for residents and staff to “tell their stories.”