

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

**Inspection Information** 

**Date of Inspection:** February 15, 2022 | **Name of Inspector:** Shyla Sittampalam RN

**Inspection Type:** Routine Inspection

Licensee: VCare Retirement Home Inc. / 2 Lawrence Pilkington Avenue, Markham, ON L6B 0Z1 (the

"Licensee")

Retirement Home: V Care Retirement Home Inc / 1 Darby Court, Scarborough, ON M1B 5H3 (the "home")

**Licence Number: T0543** 

# **Purpose of Inspection**

The RHRA conducts routine inspections as set out in section 77(3) of the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010* (the "RHA").

## **NON-COMPLIANCE**

1. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 23; Behaviour management.

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):

- **23. (1)** Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop and implement a written behaviour management strategy that includes,
  - (a) techniques to prevent and address resident behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home;
  - (b) strategies for interventions to prevent and address resident behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home;
  - (c) strategies for monitoring residents that have demonstrated behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home;

## **Inspection Finding**

The Licensee was unable to demonstrate implementation of behaviour management strategies for a resident displaying behaviours.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by March 25, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

2. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 62; Plan of care.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 62; Contents of plan.

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The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 62; Involvement of resident, etc.. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 62; Persons who approve plans of care.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 62; Reassessment and revision.

The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 44; Full assessment of care needs.

The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 47; Development of plan of care.

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):

- <u>62. (1)</u> When a resident commences his or her residency in a retirement home, the licensee shall, within the prescribed times, ensure that the resident is assessed and that a plan of care is developed based on the assessment and in accordance with this section and the regulations.
- **62. (4)** The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that there is a written plan of care for each resident of the home that sets out,
  - (b) the planned care services for the resident that the licensee will provide, including,
    - (i) the details of the services,
    - (ii) the goals that the services are intended to achieve,
    - (iii) clear directions to the licensee's staff who provide direct care to the resident;
  - (a) the care services that are part of a package of care services that the resident is entitled to receive under the resident's agreement with the licensee, whether or not the resident receives the services;
- <u>62. (5)</u> The licensee shall ensure that the resident, the resident's substitute decision-maker, if any, and any other persons designated by the resident or substitute decision-maker are given an opportunity to participate in the development, implementation and reviews of the resident's plan of care.
- **62. (9)** The licensee shall ensure that the following persons have approved the plan of care, including any revisions to it, and that a copy is provided to them:
  - 1. The resident or the resident's substitute decision-maker.
- **62. (12)** The licensee shall ensure that the resident is reassessed and the plan of care reviewed and revised at least every six months.
- <u>44. (1)</u> Subject to section 46, no later than 14 days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee shall ensure that a full assessment of the resident's care needs and preferences is conducted.
- <u>44. (3)</u> If a licensee or a staff member of a retirement home has reason to believe that a resident's care needs may include dementia care, skin and wound care, or the use of a personal assistance services device, the licensee shall ensure that the full assessment is,
  - (a) conducted by a member of a College, as defined in the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991;
- **47. (1)** Subject to subsection (4), as soon as possible and not later than two days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of a retirement home shall develop an initial plan of care for the resident based on the initial assessment of the resident's immediate care needs

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conducted under section 43 that includes all of the information listed in subsection 62 (4) of the Act that is relevant to the resident's immediate care needs.

- <u>47. (2)</u> No later than 21 days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of the home shall develop a complete plan of care for the resident based on the full assessment of the resident's care needs and preferences conducted under section 44 that takes into account all of the matters that must be considered in a full assessment.
- 47. (4) Subject to subsections (5) and (6), a plan of care for a resident is complete if the plan,
  - (b) sets out,
    - (i) any information that is necessary to allow the licensee's staff to understand the resident's needs and preferences, including cultural, spiritual and religious preferences and customary routines,
    - (iii) the names of the persons who participated in the development of the plan and whether the resident and his or her substitute decision-makers, if any, participated in the development of the plan;
  - (a) satisfies the requirements in subsections 62 (4) of the Act;

## **Inspection Finding**

The Licensee failed to comply with the listed items in relation to assessments and plans of care.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by March 25, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

3. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 29; Administration of drugs or other substances.

The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 30; Storage of drugs or other substances. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 32; Records.

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):

- **29.** If one of the care services that the licensee or the staff of a retirement home provide to a resident of the home is the administration of a drug or other substance, the licensee shall ensure that,
  - (e) if the licensee or a staff member is involved in the administration of the drug or other substance at the home, that the licensee or staff member is trained in,
    - (i) ways of reducing the incidence of infectious disease, including maintaining proper hand hygiene,
- <u>30.</u> If drugs or other substances are stored in a retirement home on behalf of a resident, the licensee of the home shall ensure that,
  - (a) the drugs or other substances are stored in an area or a medication cart that,
    - (ii) is locked and secure,

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- <u>32.</u> If the licensee or a member of the staff of a retirement home administers a drug or other substance to a resident, the licensee shall ensure that,
  - (b) if a drug is administered, there is written evidence that the drug was prescribed for the resident by a person who is authorized to prescribe a drug under section 27 of the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991;

# **Inspection Finding**

There was insufficient evidence to show the listed items were fully addressed in relation to medication administration. Furthermore, the Licensee failed to ensure drugs and other substances were locked and secure.

#### **Outcome**

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

4. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 14; Staff training.

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):

14. (1) For the purposes of clause 65 (2) (j) of the Act, every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that all staff who work in the home receive training in the procedure described in subsection 73 (1) of the Act for a person to complain to the licensee.

## **Inspection Finding**

At the time of the inspection training records reviewed indicated that staff members had not received annual training in the area listed.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by March 11, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

5. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 27; Infection prevention and control program.

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):

- **27.** (5) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that,
  - (0.b) all reasonable steps are taken in the retirement home to follow,
    - (i) any directive respecting coronavirus (COVID-19) issued to long-term care homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health under section 77.7 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act,
- **27. (7)** The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that waterless, alcohol-based hand sanitizer or another form of hand sanitation that provides equivalent protection against infectious disease transmission is available for use by residents and staff in communal resident areas and in staff work areas.

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# **Inspection Finding**

The Licensee failed to follow recommendations given to retirement homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health and failed to take reasonable steps to follow directives with respect to COVID-19 from the Chief Medical Officer of Health including failure to actively screen a visitor upon entry into the home, permitting an essential visitor with a non-medical mask, and not having alcohol based sanitizers readily available throughout the home.

#### Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 24; Emergency plan, general.

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):

- **24. (4)** The licensee shall keep current all arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency.
- 24. (5) The licensee shall,
  - (a) on an annual basis at least, test the emergency plan, including arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency, related to,
    - (i) the loss of essential services,
    - (ii) situations involving a missing resident,
    - (iii) medical emergencies,
    - (iv) violent outbursts;
  - (b) at least once every two years, conduct a planned evacuation of the retirement home;

# **Inspection Finding**

At the time of the inspection, the Licensee was unable to provide current arrangements with community agencies and resources that would be involved in responding to an emergency. In addition, there was no evidence of testing of the emergency response plans in the areas listed.

#### **Outcome**

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by March 31, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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# **NOTICE**

The Final Inspection Report is being provided to the Licensee, the Registrar of the Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority (the "RHRA") and the home's Residents' Council, if any.

Section 55 of the RHA requires that the Final Inspection Report be posted in the home in a conspicuous and easily accessible location. In addition, the Licensee must ensure that copies of every Final Inspection Report from the previous two (2) years are made available in the Home, in an easily accessible location.

The Registrar's copy of the Final Inspection Report, as it appears here, will be included on the RHRA Retirement Home Database available online at <a href="http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database">http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database</a>.

Signature of Inspector	Date
	February 28, 2022
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