

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010*

Inspection Information		
Date of Inspection: June 30, 2014	Name of Inspector: Ed Lum	
Inspection Type: Routine Inspection		
Licensee: City Housing Hamilton Corporation / 55 Hess Street, Hamilton, ON L8N 4E5 (the "Licensee")		
Retirement Home: First Place Hamilton / 360 King Street, Hamilton, ON L8N 3Y2 (the "home")		
Licence Number: S0193		

# **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 the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 54; Contents.

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

54. (2) The package of information shall include, at a minimum,

(c) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 67 (4) to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents;

(d) the licensee's procedure for complaints mentioned in subsection 73 (1);

(k) an itemized list of the different types of accommodation and care services provided in the retirement home and their prices;

(I) a statement that a resident may purchase or apply for care services, other services, programs or goods from external care providers;

#### **Inspection Finding**

The home's package of information does not contain the licensee's policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents, complaints procedure, list of care services provided by the home and external care provider statement.

#### Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

#### 2. 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):



**<u>24. (4)</u>** 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;

(c) keep a written record of the testing of the emergency plan and planned evacuations and of any changes made to improve the emergency plan.

# **Inspection Finding**

There are no arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency. Further, there is no annual testing of the emergency plan and no written record of the testing of the emergency plan.

# Outcome

Corrective action scheduled to be completed by the Licensee by November 30, 2014.

3. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 25; Emergency plan, retirement home with more than 10 residents.

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

**<u>25. (2)</u>** The licensee shall ensure that the development of the emergency plan includes,

(a) consultation with the relevant community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency;

(b) identification of hazards and risks that may give rise to an emergency affecting the home, whether the hazards and risks arise within the home or in the surrounding vicinity or community, and strategies to address those hazards and risks.

**<u>25. (3)</u>** The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:

- 1. Dealing with,
  - iii. violent outbursts,
  - v. medical emergencies,
  - vi. chemical spills,
  - vii. situations involving a missing resident,
  - viii. loss of one or more essential services.

3. Resources, supplies and equipment vital for the emergency response being set aside and readily available at the retirement home and regular testing of all such resources, supplies and equipment to ensure that they are in working order.

**25. (5)** The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan for the retirement home is evaluated and updated at least annually and that the updating includes contact information for the relevant community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency.

## **Inspection Finding**

The licensee's emergency plan does not include the prescribed requirements and is not evaluated and updated annually.

# Outcome

Corrective action scheduled to be completed by the Licensee by November 30, 2014.

# 4. 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. (4)** The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that a written surveillance protocol is established in consultation with the local medical officer of health or designate in order to identify, document and monitor residents who report symptoms of respiratory or gastrointestinal illness.

# 27. (5) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that,

(a) if an infectious disease outbreak occurs in the home, the outbreak is reported to the local medical officer of health or designate and the licensee defers to the officer or designate, as the case may be, for assistance and consultation as appropriate;

(b) if there is an increase in the number of symptomatic residents in the home, the increase is reported immediately to the local medical officer of health or designate and that the officer or designate, as the case may be, is consulted;

(c) processes for meeting the requirements in clauses (a) and (b) are established and the processes are recorded in writing.

**<u>27. (9)</u>** The licensee shall ensure that each staff member who works in the retirement home receives training on how to reduce the incidence of infectious disease transmission, including,

(a) the need for and method of maintaining proper hand hygiene and method of preventing cross contamination, including proper handling of soiled linens, the protection of uniforms, and the separation of clean and dirty items;

(b) the need for and process of reporting, providing surveillance of and documenting incidents of infectious illness.

#### **Inspection Finding**

The licensee does not have a written surveillance protocol established. No evidence was provided to confirm that all staff has received the required training.



# Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

5. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 43; Initial assessment of care needs. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 44; Full assessment of care needs.

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

**<u>43. (2)</u>** The initial assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:

- 2. Presence of infectious diseases.
- 3. Risk of falling.
- 5. Dietary needs including known food restrictions.
- 7. Risk of harm to self and to others.

**<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. (2)</u>** The full assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:

- 1. Physical and mental health.
- 2. Functional capacity.
- 3. Cognitive ability.
- 4. Behavioural issues.
- 5. Need for care services.
- 6. Need for assistance with the activities of daily living.
- 7. The matters listed in subsection 43 (2).
- 8. Any other matter relevant to developing a plan of care for the resident.

#### Inspection Finding

The initial assessment conducted on residents does not consider presence of infectious diseases, risk of falling, dietary needs including known food restrictions and risk of harm to self and to others. Further, the licensee does not conduct a full assessment on residents.

#### Outcome

Corrective action scheduled to be completed by the Licensee by December 31, 2014.

 The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 65; Training. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 65; Additional training for direct care staff.

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):

**65. (2)** Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

(a) the Residents' Bill of Rights;

(b) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 67 (4) to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents;

(c) the protection afforded for whistle-blowing described in section 115;

(d) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 68 (3) regarding the use of personal assistance services devices for residents;

(f) fire prevention and safety;

**65. (5)** The licensee shall ensure that all staff who provide care services to residents receive training in the following matters and at the times required by the regulations, as a condition of continuing to have contact with residents, in addition to the other training that they are required to receive under this section:

3. Behaviour management.

**<u>14. (1)</u>** 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

No evidence was provided to confirm that all staff has received the listed required training.

# Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 67; Contents.
 The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 15; Policy of zero tolerance of abuse and neglect.

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

**67. (5)** At a minimum, the policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents shall, (f) set out the consequences for those who abuse or neglect residents;

**<u>15. (3)</u>** The policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents described in subsection 67 (4) of the Act shall,

(a) contain procedures and interventions to assist and support residents who have been abused or neglected or allegedly abused or neglected;

(b) contain procedures and interventions to deal with persons who have abused or neglected or allegedly abused or neglected residents, as appropriate;

(g) provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that,



(iv) the changes and improvements mentioned in subclause (ii) are promptly implemented,
(v) a written record of everything provided for in subclauses (ii) and (iv) and the date of the evaluation, the names of the persons who participated in the evaluation and the date that the changes and improvements were implemented is promptly prepared.

#### Inspection Finding

The licensee's written policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents does not include the listed requirements.

#### Outcome

Corrective action scheduled to be completed by the Licensee by November 30, 2014.

#### 8. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 59; Procedure for complaints to licensee.

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

**59. (1)** Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that every written or verbal complaint made to the licensee or a staff member concerning the care of a resident or operation of the home is dealt with as follows:

1. The complaint shall be investigated. If the complaint alleges harm or risk of harm to one or more residents, the investigation shall be commenced immediately.

2. The complaint shall be resolved if possible, and a response that complies with paragraph 4 provided within 10 business days of the receipt of the complaint.

3. For those complaints that cannot be investigated and resolved within 10 business days, an acknowledgement of receipt of the complaint shall be provided within 10 business days of receipt of the complaint, including the date by which the complainant can reasonably expect a resolution, and a follow-up response that complies with paragraph 4 shall be provided as soon as possible in the circumstances.

4. A response shall be made to the person who made the complaint, indicating,

i. what the licensee has done to resolve the complaint,

ii. that the licensee believes the complaint to be unfounded and the reasons for the belief.

59. (2) The licensee shall ensure that a written record is kept in the retirement home that includes,

(a) the nature of each verbal or written complaint;

(b) the date that the complaint was received;

(c) the type of action taken to resolve the complaint, including the date of the action, time frames for actions to be taken and any follow-up action required;

(d) the final resolution, if any, of the complaint;

(e) every date on which any response was provided to the complainant and a description of the response;

(f) any response made in turn by the complainant.

## **Inspection Finding**



The licensee's written procedure for a person to complain to the licensee does not include the prescribed requirements. Further, the licensee does not keep a written record of complaints in the home.

#### Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

## 9. 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;

(d) protocols for how staff and volunteers shall report and be informed of resident behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home.

**23. (2)** The licensee shall ensure that all staff who provide care services to residents are advised at the beginning of every shift of each resident whose behaviours require heightened monitoring because those behaviours pose a risk to the resident or others in the home.

#### **Inspection Finding**

The licensee has not developed and implemented a written behaviour management strategy.

#### Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

10. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 31; Medication management system. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 32; Records.

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

**31. (1)** 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 establish a medication management system, which includes written policies and procedures, to ensure that all drugs and other substances to be administered to residents of the home are acquired, received in the home, stored, dispensed, administered, destroyed and disposed of correctly as required by law and in accordance with prevailing practices.



<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**

The licensee's written medication management system does not include the prescribed requirements. Further, the licensee does not keep written evidence that a drug prescribed for a resident is prescribed by an authorized person.

#### Outcome

Corrective action scheduled to be completed by the Licensee by November 30, 2014.



# 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 Public Register, available online at <a href="http://rhra.ca/en/register/">http://rhra.ca/en/register/</a>

Signature of Inspector	Date
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