

FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: November 24, 2014 **Name of Inspector:** Heather Buchanan

Inspection Type: Routine Inspection

Licensee: Richard Diamond / 1530 County Road 10, Cherry Valley, ON KOK 1P0 (the "Licensee")

Retirement Home: Carriage House Retirement Residence / 1530 County Road 10, Cherry Valley, ON KOK

1P0 (the "home")

Licence Number: N0125

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;
 - (I) a statement that a resident may purchase or apply for care services, other services, programs or goods from external care providers;
 - (t) information relating to staffing, including night time staffing levels and qualifications of staff of the retirement home;

Inspection Finding

The Information Package provided to residents was missing staffing information, including night time staffing levels, the home's policy for zero tolerance of abuse, and information with respect to external care providers.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

2. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 55; Posting information. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 11; Posted information.

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

- **55. (2)** Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that the following information is posted in the home in a conspicuous and easily accessible location and in a manner that complies with the prescribed requirements, if any:
 - 3. An explanation of the measures to be taken in case of fire.
- **11. (1)** For the purposes of paragraph 4 of subsection 55 (2) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as information that must be posted in a retirement home under that subsection:
 - 3. An explanation of the procedures to be followed in the case of an evacuation.

Inspection Finding

An explanation of measures to be taken in the case of fire, as well as procedures to be followed in the case of an evacuation, were not posted in a conspicuous and easily accessible location in the home.

Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

3. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 60; Safety plans.

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

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):

- **60. (4)** Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that the following are in place for the home:
 - 1. An emergency plan that responds to emergencies in the home or in the community in which the home is located and that meets the prescribed requirements.
- **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;
 - (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.

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- 25. (2) 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.
- 25. (3) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:
 - 1. Dealing with,
 - ii. community disasters,
 - iii. violent outbursts,
 - iv. bomb threats,
 - v. medical emergencies,
 - vi. chemical spills,
 - vii. situations involving a missing resident,
 - viii. loss of one or more essential services.
 - 2. Evacuation of the retirement home, including a system in the home to account for the whereabouts of all residents in the event that it is necessary to evacuate and relocate residents and evacuate staff and others in case of an emergency.
- 25. (4) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan addresses the following components:
 - 1. Plan activation.
 - 2. Lines of authority.
 - 3. Communications plan.
 - 4. Specific staff roles and responsibilities.
- **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.

The home does not have a written emergency plan. There has been no identification of hazards and risks that may give rise to an emergency affecting the home. There is no evidence of consultations or arrangements with community partners or agencies who would be involved in responding to an emergency.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

4. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 60; Safety plans.

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):

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- 60. (4) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that the following are in place for the home:
 - 2. An infection prevention and control program that meets the prescribed requirements.
- **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.
- **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.

There is no written infection prevention and control program. There are no written processes in place with respect to outbreak management. Hand sanitizer is only available in the public washroom.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

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):

- 43. (1) Subject to section 45, no later than two days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of the home shall ensure that an initial assessment of the resident's immediate care needs is conducted.
- **43. (2)** The initial assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:
 - 1. Continence.
 - 2. Presence of infectious diseases.
 - 3. Risk of falling.

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- 4. Known allergies.
- 5. Dietary needs including known food restrictions.
- 6. Cognitive ability.
- 7. Risk of harm to self and to others.
- 8. Risk of wandering.
- 9. Needs related to drugs and other substances.
- **44. (1)** 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.
- **44. (2)** 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.

The Licensee does not conduct initial or full assessments on residents of the home.

Outcome

Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

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.

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):

- <u>65. (2)</u> 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;

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- (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;
- <u>65. (5)</u> 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.
- **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.
- **27. (9)** 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.

There is no written evidence that staff training has been conducted in the home beyond orientation training. There is no evidence that staff training has been done with respect to infection prevention and control. There has been no training conducted with respect to personal assistance services devices for residents.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

7. 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. (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;

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

Inspection Finding

There are no written records of complaints kept in the home.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

8. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 22; Risk of falls.

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

22. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop, document and implement strategies to reduce or mitigate the risk of falls in common areas of the home.

Inspection Finding

Strategies to reduce or mitigate the risk of falls have not been developed, documented or implemented in the home.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

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.

Inspection Finding

A written behaviour management strategy has not been developed nor implemented in the home. There is a policy for dealing with aggressive residents.

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Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

10. 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):

- <u>29.</u> 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,
 - (ii) the safe disposal of syringes and other sharps,
 - (iii) recognizing an adverse drug reaction and taking appropriate action;
 - (c) neither the licensee nor a staff member administers a drug to a resident in the home unless the licensee or the staff member has received training in the procedures applicable to the administration of the drug;
- <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,
 - (i) is used exclusively for drugs or other substances and for supplies related to drugs or other substances,
 - (ii) is locked and secure,
 - (iii) protects the drugs or other substances from heat, light, humidity or other environmental conditions that may affect their efficacy,
 - (iv) complies with the manufacturer's instructions for the storage of the drugs or other substances;
 - (b) controlled substances as defined in the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (Canada) are stored in a separate, double-locked stationary cupboard in the locked area or stored in a separate locked area within the locked medication cart;
- <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,
 - (a) the person who administered the drug or other substance prepares a written record noting the name and amount of the drug or other substance, the route of its administration and the time and date on which it was administered;
 - (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;

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There is no evidence that staff in the home have been trained in the procedures applicable to the administration of a drug, ways of reducing infectious diseases, safe disposal of syringes and sharps, and recognizing adverse drug reactions. Storage of medication does not meet the requirements of the legislation. The written records of administration of a drug are completed by the Licensee each morning for the entire day, and before the resident has been administered the medication. There is no written evidence that drugs administered to residents are prescribed by a person authorized under section 27 of the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

11. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 55; Contents of records.

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

55. (1) The licensee of a retirement home shall keep a record for each resident of the home that complies with the requirements of this section.

55. (2) The record for each resident shall include,

- (a) documentation of all consents related to the collection, use, retention or disclosure of the resident's personal information, including personal health information;
- (b) if the resident was assessed for the purposes of developing the resident's plan of care, documentation of when the resident was assessed and by whom;
- (c) if the resident did not consent to an assessment, documentation of that fact;
- (d) a copy of the resident's most recent plan of care;
- (e) a copy of the written agreement between the resident and the licensee required under section 53 of the Act;
- (f) if the licensee is required to deliver notice to the resident under clause 49 (1) (b) of the Act with respect to ceasing to operate the home as a retirement home, evidence that the licensee delivered the notice and that the resident received it;
- (g) a copy of the written instructions and authorizations and acknowledgements of receipt of funds of the resident and the person acting on behalf of the resident that relate to money required to be held in trust under section 72 of the Act and that subclause 57 (9) (g) (ii) of this Regulation requires the licensee to retain.

Inspection Finding

The record kept for each resident does not comply with the legislated requirements.

Outcome

Corrective action required by the Licensee.

Warning Letter issued.

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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 Public Register, available online at http://rhra.ca/en/register/

Signature of Inspector	Date
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