RHRA Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority

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

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: November 23, 2015	**Name of Inspector:** Susan Lines
Inspection Type: Mandatory Reporting Inspection	
Licensee: 480 Metcalfe Street (Ottawa) LP / 20 Toronto Street, Toronto, ON M5C 2B8 (the "Licensee")	
Retirement Home: The Palisades Retirement Residence / 480 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa, ON K1S 3N6 (the "home")	
Licence Number: N0191	

Purpose of Inspection
The RHRA received a report under section 75(1) 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. 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):

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;

(e) injury prevention;

(f) fire prevention and safety;

(g) the licensee's emergency evacuation plan for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (3);

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:

1. Abuse recognition and prevention.

2. Mental health issues, including caring for persons with dementia.
3. Behaviour management.
4. Ways to minimize the need of residents for personal assistance services devices and if a resident needs such a device, the ways of using it in accordance with its manufacturer's operating instructions, this Act and the regulations.
5. All other prescribed matters.

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.

14. (3) For the purposes of paragraph 5 of subsection 65 (5) of the Act, every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that every staff member who provides a care service to a resident has received or receives training in,

(a) ways to encourage mental stimulation in residents, ways to provide mental stimulation to residents and the positive effects of encouraging and providing such mental stimulation;

(b) each care service offered in the home so that the staff member is able to understand the general nature of each of those services, the standards applicable under the Act to each of those services and the aspects of each of those services that may be relevant to the staff member's own duties in the home.

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.

Inspection Finding

The home's records and staff interviews showed that the home's staff had not all been trained on all the topics in which they required training.

Outcome

Corrective action scheduled to be taken by the Licensee by February 1, 2016.

2. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 64; Police background checks.

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

64. (2) The screening measures shall include a police background check as defined in the regulations, unless the person being screened is under 18 years of age.

Inspection Finding The home failed to obtain police background checks for six employees.
Outcome Corrective action taken by the Licensee.
3. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 67; Policy to promote zero tolerance. Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s): **67. (4)** Without in any way restricting the generality of the duties described in subsections (1) and (2), the licensee shall ensure that there is a written policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents and shall ensure that the policy is complied with.
Inspection Finding Staff stated in interview that they had been aware of allegations of abuse but they had failed to comply with the home's abuse policy and report the allegations to management or the RHRA.
Outcome Corrective action taken by the Licensee.

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
	January 21, 2016