

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

**Inspection Information** 

**Date of Inspection:** August 9, 2017 | **Name of Inspector:** Douglas Crust

**Inspection Type:** Routine Inspection

Licensee: Christie Gardens Apartments and Care, Inc. / 600 Melita Crescent, Toronto, ON M6G 3Z4 (the

"Licensee")

Retirement Home: Christie Gardens / 600 Melita Crescent, Toronto, ON M6G 3Z4 (the "home")

Licence Number: T0178

## **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);
  - (I) a statement that a resident may purchase or apply for care services, other services, programs or goods from external care providers;
  - (s) information as to whether the retirement home has automatic sprinklers in each resident's room;
  - (t) information relating to staffing, including night time staffing levels and qualifications of staff of the retirement home;

# **Inspection Finding**

The package of information presented for inspection did not contain all of the information prescribed.

## Outcome

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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.

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

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- <u>55. (2)</u> 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:
  - 1. The Residents' Bill of Rights.
- **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:
  - 1. Contact information for the Authority.
  - 4. Information about reporting to the Registrar matters relating to the care and safety of the residents of the home that is on a sign that the Registrar provides or that is in a form that the Registrar approves.
  - 6. A copy of the most recent final inspection report prepared by an inspector under section 77 of the Act, subject to section 114 of the Act.

## **Inspection Finding**

The posted information observed/ available at the time of the inspection did not include all of the prescribed items.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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):

- **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.
- 25. (3) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:
  - 1. Dealing with,
    - iii. violent outbursts,
    - v. medical emergencies,

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vi. chemical spills,

- 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**

At the time of the inspection, the Licensee did not provide evidence of satisfactory current arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities or resources involved in responding to an emergency. Also, the Plan contents did not address all of the required areas. Further, the Licensee did not provide evidence of annual testing of the Plan or of regular testing of the resources, supplies and vital equipment. There was also no evidence of an annual evaluation and updating of the Plan as a whole, as prescribed.

#### Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by October 15, 2017. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

4. 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. (2)** The initial assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:
  - 3. Risk of falling.
  - 7. Risk of harm to self and to others.
  - 8. Risk of wandering.
- **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.
  - 7. The matters listed in subsection 43 (2).

## **Inspection Finding**

At the time of the inspection, there was insufficient evidence to confirm that full assessments of the residents' care needs and preferences were completed for all residents within the time frame specified. In addition, the assessment documentation presented for inspection did not address all of the matters with respect to the resident which are prescribed.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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5. 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; On-going 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,
  - (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;
- <u>65. (4)</u> The licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive the training described in subsection (2) receive on-going training as described in that subsection at the times required by the regulations.
- <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.
- <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.
- **14. (2)** For the purposes of subsection 65 (4) of the Act, the licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive training under subsection 65 (2) of the Act receive the training at least annually.
- **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**

At the time of inspection, there was insufficient evidence to demonstrate that each staff member had completed all of the training as prescribed, including training for new staff and ongoing training.

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The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by November 15, 2017. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

6. 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,
  - (a) clearly set out what constitutes abuse and neglect;
  - (c) provide for a program for preventing abuse and neglect;
  - (d) contain an explanation of the duty under section 75 to report to the Registrar the matters specified in that section;
  - (e) contain procedures for investigating and responding to alleged, suspected or witnessed abuse and neglect of residents;
  - (f) set out the consequences for those who abuse or neglect residents;
- <u>15. (2)</u> The procedures for investigating and responding to alleged, suspected or witnessed abuse and neglect of residents described in clause 67 (5) (e) of the Act shall include details outlining who will undertake the investigation and who will be informed of the investigation.
- **15. (3)** The policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents described in subsection 67 (4) of the Act shall,
  - (d) provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that the resident's substitute decision-makers, if any, and any other person specified by the resident,
    - (i) are notified immediately upon the licensee becoming aware of an alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect of a resident that has resulted in a physical injury or pain to a resident or that causes distress to a resident that could potentially be detrimental to a resident's health or well-being,
    - (ii) are notified within 12 hours upon the licensee becoming aware of any other alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect of a resident;
  - (g) provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that,
    - (i) an analysis of every incident of abuse or neglect of a resident at the home is undertaken promptly after the licensee becomes aware of it,
    - (ii) at least once in every calendar year, an evaluation is made to determine the effectiveness of the policy and what changes and improvements are required to prevent further occurrences of abuse and neglect of residents,
    - (iii) the results of the analysis undertaken under subclause (i) are considered in the evaluation mentioned in subclause (ii),
    - (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.

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- (a) contain procedures and interventions to assist and support residents who have been abused or neglected or allegedly abused or neglected;
- (c) identify measures and strategies to prevent abuse and neglect;
- (e) provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that the resident and the resident's substitute decision-makers, if any, are notified of the results of an investigation described in clause 67 (5) (e) of the Act immediately upon the completion of the investigation;
- (f) provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that the appropriate police force is immediately notified of any alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect of a resident that the licensee suspects may constitute a criminal offence;

# **Inspection Finding**

The non-abuse policy was found not to be aligned with the requirements set out in the Act and regulation.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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. (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:
- 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;

# **Inspection Finding**

The complaint procedure was found not to be aligned with the prescribed requirements.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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.

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At the time of the inspection, the Licensee did not demonstrate a policy or procedure that developed, documented and implemented strategies to reduce or mitigate the risk of falls in the common areas of the home, as prescribed.

#### Outcome

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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**

At the time of the inspection, the Licensee did not demonstrate a behaviour management strategy that addressed all of the requirements prescribed.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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. (2) The record for each resident shall include,
  - (d) a copy of the resident's most recent plan of care;

## **Inspection Finding**

At the time of the inspection, the Licensee's record for each resident did not include a plan of care for each resident, as prescribed.

## **Outcome**

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by November 15, 2017. 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 Public Register, available online at <a href="http://rhra.ca/en/register/">http://rhra.ca/en/register/</a>

Signature of Inspector	Date
DUT.	October 13, 2017

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