

FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: August 11, 2017 **Name of Inspector:** Natalie Farmakovski

Inspection Type: Routine Inspection

Licensee: A Better Way Retirement Home Corp. / 34 Middleport Crescent, Scarborough, ON M1B 4L1 (the

"Licensee")

Retirement Home: A Better Way Retirement Home Corp. / 34 Middleport Crescent, Scarborough, ON M1B

4L1 (the "home")

Licence Number: T0474

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. 11; Posted information.

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

- **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:
 - 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

At the time of inspection, the Licensee did not have the most recent inspection report posted in the retirement home.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

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. 26; Emergency plan, retirement home with 10 or fewer residents.

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:
 - 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. (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;
- (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.
- <u>26.</u> The emergency plan for a retirement home that has 10 or fewer residents shall, in addition to the requirements in section 24, meet the following requirements:
 - 1. The plan shall be developed in consultation with the relevant community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency.
 - 2. The plan shall identify and address hazards and risks that may give rise to an emergency affecting the home.
 - 3. The plan shall include steps in the evacuation of the 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.
 - 5. The plan shall identify the relevant community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency.
 - 6. The licensee shall ensure that the plan is 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 inspection, the Licensee did not have a written Emergency Plan as required by the legislation. Also, there was no evidence of annual testing with community partners in the prescribed areas nor was there a written record of the testing. Furthermore, the Licensee did not have evidence of fire drills or a planned evacuation. Lastly, the Licensee failed to develop an emergency plan in consultation with community agencies. The plan must identify risks, contain an evacuation plan/system which accounts for residents, identify community agencies, facilities and resources involved in the response and needs to be updated annually.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

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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. 27; Infection prevention and control program.

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:
 - 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.

Inspection Finding

At the time of inspection, there was no evidence that an Infection Prevention and Control program was in place. Also, there was no evidence of written surveillance protocols for respiratory or gastrointestinal illness. Lastly, there was no written protocol for outbreaks or an increase in systematic residents. to be reported to Public Health.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

4. 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):

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.

Inspection Finding

The Licensee did not complete the Full Assessment within the prescribed time frames.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

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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,
 - (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;
- <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.
- 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. (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.

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Inspection Finding

The Licensee failed to produce evidence of staff training as required by the legislation.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

6. 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

The Licensee failed to produce strategies to mitigate risk of falls that are developed, documented and implemented.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

7. 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. 31; Medication management system.

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;
 - (d) a member of a College, as defined in the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991, supervises the administration of the drug or other substance to the resident in the home;
- **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,

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dispensed, administered, destroyed and disposed of correctly as required by law and in accordance with prevailing practices.

Inspection Finding

At the time of inspection, there was no evidence that staff administering medications received training on administration of a drug, and all other areas as prescribed. Also, there was no evidence that a registered member of a College supervises the medication administration program. Lastly, the Licensee failed to produce a written medication management policy and procedures.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

8. 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

The resident records reviewed at the time of inspection did not include a copy of the resident's plan of care.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

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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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