RHRA Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority

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

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: March 23, 2018	**Name of Inspector:** Ben Razulis
Inspection Type: Routine Inspection	
Licensee: 1499413 Ontario Inc. / 99 Walford Road, Sudbury, ON P3E 6K3 (the "Licensee")	
Retirement Home: The Walford Thunder Bay / 20 Pine Street, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 5X1 (the "home")	
Licence Number: N0171	

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. 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;

(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.

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. (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 had not completed annual testing and a planned evacuation, as required. Additionally, the Licensee's emergency plan was missing current arrangements with community agencies, partner facilities and resources, as required. The plan was not developed in consultation with the community agencies, partner facilities and resources that will be involved in responding to an emergency. The plan did not identify strategies for the hazards and risks specific to the home. The plan had not been evaluated and updated annually, as required.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

2. 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.

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 failed to ensure that the proper assessments of residents were being conducted, as required.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

3. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 62; Plan of care.
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):

62. (1) When a resident commences his or her residency in a retirement home, the licensee shall, within the prescribed times, ensure that the resident is assessed and that a plan of care is developed based on the assessment and in accordance with this section and the regulations.

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

(d) a copy of the resident's most recent plan of care;

Inspection Finding

The Licensee failed to ensure that all residents had a plan of care.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

4. 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.
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):

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. (4) 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.

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.

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.

55. (5) A licensee of a retirement home shall keep records proving compliance with the Act and this Regulation in relation to,

(c) the skills, qualifications and training of the staff who work in the home;

Inspection Finding

The Licensee failed to ensure that all staff had received the required training. The Licensee was not able to produce records showing that training had been completed for each staff working in the home.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

5. 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;

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

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

(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 Licensee's policy of zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents did not contain the required elements.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

6. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 73; Requirements for procedure.

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

73. (2) The procedure shall comply with the regulations.

Inspection Finding

The Licensee's procedure for complaints did not contain the required elements. Namely, the procedure did not provide that: 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, or ii. that the licensee believes the complaint to be unfounded and the reasons for the belief.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

7. 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,

(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

The Licensee's behaviour management strategy did not contain the required elements. Namely, the procedure did not include strategies for monitoring residents or protocols for how staff and volunteers shall report and be informed of resident behaviours.

Outcome
The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

8. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 29; Administration of drugs or other substances.

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

29. 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;

Inspection Finding
The Licensee was not able to provide evidence that staff administering medications to residents had been trained appropriately, or that medication administration in the home was being supervised by a member of a College.

Outcome
The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve non-compliance.

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
	April 12, 2018