

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

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: March 10, 2022 **Name of Inspector:** Rachelle Harber

Inspection Type: Compliance Inspection

Licensee: 2693557 Ontario Inc. / 8 Sheldonbury Court, St. Catharines, ON L2N 6G9 (the "Licensee")

Retirement Home: Redstacks Retirement Home / 303 Niagara Boulevard, Fort Erie, ON L2A 3H1 (the

"home")

Licence Number: S0472

Purpose of Inspection

The RHRA conducts compliance inspections as set out in section 77(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. 73; Procedure for complaints to licensee.

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):

- <u>73. (1)</u> Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that there is a written procedure for a person to complain to the licensee about the operation of the home and for the way in which the licensee is required to deal with complaints.
- 59. (2) The licensee shall ensure that a written record is kept in the retirement home that includes,
 - (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;
 - (f) any response made in turn by the complainant.

Inspection Finding

The inspector requested to see the homes procedure for complaints as well as a completed complaint record for a resident who complained as per a previous inspection. Staff on duty could not locate the documents. The Licensee failed to demonstrate that there is a written procedure for a person to complain to the licensee about the operation of the home and for the way in which the licensee is required to deal with the complaints. The Licensee failed to keep a written record of a complaint.

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Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

2. 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.
- **22.** (4) Every licensee of a retirement home shall keep a written record of all falls for which the licensee is required to ensure documentation under subsection (2) or (3) and that occur in each year, evaluate the risk of falls in the home at least annually and keep a written record of each evaluation.

Inspection Finding

The inspector requested to see the homes falls strategies as well as evidence of falls being evaluated. Staff on duty could not locate the documents. The Licensee failed to demonstrate that falls strategies have been developed and falls are being evaluated.

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; Persons who approve plans of care.

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

- **62. (9)** The licensee shall ensure that the following persons have approved the plan of care, including any revisions to it, and that a copy is provided to them:
 - 1. The resident or the resident's substitute decision-maker.

Inspection Finding

The inspector reviewed four residents care files and found that they did not have their plans of care approved appropriately, as there was no evidence that the plans of care had been approve by the residents or their substitute decision makers. The Licensee failed to ensure that all residents plans of care had been approved as required.

Outcome

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

4. The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 65; Training.

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The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA, S.O. 2010, c. 11, s. 65; On-going training.

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;
- <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.
- 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.
- **14. (5)** The licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive the training described in subsection 65 (5) of the Act receive that training on an ongoing basis, namely at least annually after receiving the training described in subsection (4).
- **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 inspector requested evidence of staff training and spoke to staff regarding training. The home was unable to demonstrate that staff has received the required training. The Licensee failed to ensure that staff were trained as required.

Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by May 11, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

5. 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):

- 27. (5) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that,
 - (0.b) all reasonable steps are taken in the retirement home to follow,
 - (i) any directive respecting coronavirus (COVID-19) issued to long-term care homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health under section 77.7 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act,

Inspection Finding

The inspector reviewed infection prevention and control practices at the home related to COVID-19 and that the home did not complete active screening, did not use the current screening tool and did not conduct resident daily screening for symptoms. Further the home was unable to provide evidence of a staff contingency plan. The Licensee failed to follow infection prevention and control Directives as required.

Outcome

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

6. 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;

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- (b) at least once every two years, conduct a planned evacuation of the retirement home;
- 25. (3) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:
 - 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.

Inspection Finding

The inspector requested to review the homes emergency plan. Staff was unable to locate the plan including information on current arrangements with partners, testing of the emergency plan, or planned evacuation. Upon review of the emergency supplies, it was revealed that the home is not conducting regular testing of the supplies to ensure they are in good working order. The Licensee failed to meet the requirements related to emergency plan testing, conducting a planned evacuation, current arrangements with partners and testing of emergency supplies.

Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by May 11, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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. 29; Administration 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):

- **14. (5)** The licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive the training described in subsection 65 (5) of the Act receive that training on an ongoing basis, namely at least annually after receiving the training described in subsection (4).
- **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;
- <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,

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- (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;

Inspection Finding

The inspector reviewed records related to medication administration for four residents. One residents record was reviewed for physicians orders and revealed that there were no physicians orders on file. For three residents the medication administration records were not completed accurately and in full. In addition, the home was unable to demonstrate that staff received the required training related to medication administration. The Licensee failed to meet the legislative requirements related to staff training, medication administration records and physician's orders.

Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by May 11, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by inspection.

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 Retirement Home Database, available online at http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database.

Signature of Inspector	Date
Hackelle Harber RN	April 20, 2022

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