

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

| Inspection Information  |                                     |  |
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| Date of Inspection: December 2, 2022  | Name of Inspector: Georges Gauthier |  |
| Inspection Type: Routine Inspection   |                                     |  |
| Licensee: The Royale GP Corporation / 302 Town Centre Boulevard, Markham, ON L3R 0E8 (the "Licensee")                   |                                     |  |
| <b>Retirement Home:</b> Aspira Royale Place Retirement Living / 2485 Princess Street, Kingston, ON K7M 3G1 (the "home") |                                     |  |
| Licence Number: N0197   |                                     |  |

### **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. 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:

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,

ii. that the licensee believes the complaint to be unfounded and the reasons for the belief.

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 reviewed the Licensee's complaints log and noted there were no complaints for 2022. A review of communication documents and maintenance logs during a two month period identified some complaints had not been addressed as required by the above listed items. The Licensee failed to ensure that their written record of a complaint included all the required elements.

### Outcome

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by following up with the Licensee or by inspection.

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

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;

(h) the emergency plan and the infection prevention and control program of the licensee for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (4).

**<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.

**<u>27. (9)</u>** 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 inspector reviewed staff training records provided and found several new staff members had not completed training in the above listed areas. The Licensee failed to ensure that staff were trained as required.

# Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by December 31, 2022. RHRA to confirm compliance by following up with the Licensee or by inspection.

# 3. 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):

**<u>27. (5)</u>** The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that,

(0.a) any guidance, advice or recommendations given to retirement homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health are followed in the retirement home.

# **Inspection Finding**

As part of a routine inspection, the inspector requested records showing daily resident assessments including temperature checks and was informed these were not currently being done. The Licensee failed to ensure any guidance given to retirement homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health are followed in the retirement home.

# Outcome

The Licensee has advised it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance. RHRA to confirm compliance by following up with the Licensee or by inspection.

# 4. The Licensee failed to comply with O. Reg. 166/11, s. 24; Emergency plan, general.

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

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,

(iv) violent outbursts;

(b) at least once every two years, conduct a planned evacuation of the retirement home.

# **Inspection Finding**

The inspector reviewed the Licensee's records of annual testing for the emergency plans and found that the testing for situations involving the loss of essential services and violent outbursts had not been completed. Further, there was no evidence to show a planned evacuation of the home had been completed within the last two years The Licensee failed to ensure that the emergency plan testing requirements had been fully addressed.



# Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by January 11, 2023. RHRA to confirm compliance by following up with the Licensee or 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 <u>http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database</u>.

| Signature of Inspector | Date              |
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|                        | December 23, 2022 |