

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT

#### Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: June 5, 2023	Name of Inspector: Melissa Meikle
Inspection Type: Routine Inspection	
Licensee: ACC-002783 - Symphony Senior Living Ottawa LP	
Retirement Home: Forest Valley Terrace By Symphony	
License Number: N0273	

#### **About Routine Inspections**

A routine inspection, performed by an RHRA inspector, is a physical inspection of a licensed retirement home. During a routine inspection, an RHRA inspector will walk through the home, speak to residents and staff, observe care services and conditions in the home, and ensure the licensee's management and staff follow mandatory policies and practices designed to protect the welfare of residents.

Following a routine inspection, the RHRA inspector prepares a draft inspection report which is sent to the licensee. The draft report may include instances where the licensee has failed to meet the standards of the RHA. If included, the licensee can respond to these instances and is strongly encouraged to inform RHRA of its plans to meet the standards of the RHA.

Following the draft report, the RHRA inspector prepares this final inspection report, incorporating any response from the licensee with their plans to meet the standards of the RHA. The most recent final inspection report must be posted in the home in a visible and easily accessible location. All final inspection reports from the previous two years must also be made available in an easily accessible location in the home. The licensee must provide a copy of this report to the home's Residents' Council, if one exists.

In addition to inspection reports, RHRA may provide information to a licensee to encourage improvements of their current practices.

If the licensee repeatedly does not meet the required standards, RHRA may take further action.

#### Focus Areas

During a routine inspection, an inspector will focus primarily on a set number of areas which have been identified as related to the health, safety and wellbeing of resident, and may take various actions to determine whether the licensee is compliant with the RHA in relating to the areas. The areas listed in this section are ones which an inspector has identified as non-compliant.

Focus Area #1: Resident Record, Assessment, Plan of Care

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

The inspector reviewed a sample of resident care files and found that 1 resident did not have an initial assessment or plan of care and their completed plan of care did not include special dietary requirements. Another resident did not have their plans of care approved appropriately, as there was no evidence that the plans had been approved by the residents or their substitute decision makers. Furthermore, the inspector found that 3 residents did not have proof of an interdisciplinary care conferences as prescribed for residents who have identified care needs that include dementia care, skin and wound care and/or the use of a personal assistance services device nor, were the substitute decision makers involved in the development of the plan of care. Lastly 1 resident did not have their plans of care revised appropriately within the prescribed time. The inspector confirmed that the Licensee failed to ensure that all plans of care complied with all the requirements.

#### Outcome

The Licensee provided information indicating that corrective action was being taken, however, further action must be taken to achieve compliance with all areas outlined in the finding. RHRA to confirm compliance by following up with the Licensee or by inspection.

#### Focus Area #2: Staff Training

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of the inspection in response, the inspector reviewed staff training records and found that 5 staff members had not completed training on the listed topics upon hire. The Licensee failed to ensure that staff were trained as required.

#### Outcome

The Licensee has demonstrated it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance.

#### **Additional Findings**

During a routine inspection, an inspector may observe areas of non-compliance that are not related to the standard focus areas. In these cases, an inspector may cite the home for these contraventions at the time of this inspection. In addition, an inspector may follow-up on findings of non-compliance from previous inspections. Where the licensee is unable to demonstrate they have come into compliance or maintained compliance, an inspector may cite the home for these repeat contraventions at the time of this inspection.

#### **Not Applicable**

#### **Current Inspection – Citations**

Citations relating to the above Focus Areas or Additional Findings made during the current inspection are listed below.

#### The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 47. (1); Development of plan of care

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47. (1) Subject to subsection (4), as soon as possible and not later than two days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of a retirement home shall develop an initial plan of care for the resident based on the initial assessment of the resident's immediate care needs conducted under section 43 that includes all of the information listed in subsection 62 (4) of the Act that is relevant to the resident's immediate care needs.

#### The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 47. (5); Development of plan of care

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47. (5) If an assessment of a resident indicates that the resident's care needs may include dementia care, skin and wound care or the use of a personal assistance services device, the licensee shall ensure that an interdisciplinary care conference is held as part of the development of the resident's plan of care and that the resident's plan of care takes into account the results of the care conference.

#### The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 47. (7); Development of plan of care

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47. (7) If one of the care services that the licensee provides to a resident is the provision of a meal, the resident's plan of care is only complete if it includes a description of the food restrictions, food allergies and food sensitivities of the resident that are known.

#### The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (12); Reassessment and revision

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62. (12) The licensee shall ensure that the resident is reassessed and the plan of care reviewed and revised at least every six months and at any other time if, in the opinion of the licensee or the resident,

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

## <u>s. 62. (12), (b)</u>

(b) the resident's care needs change or the care services set out in the plan are no longer necessary;

#### The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (5); Involvement of resident, etc.

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62. (5) The licensee shall ensure that the resident, the resident's substitute decision-maker, if any, and any other persons designated by the resident or substitute decision-maker are given an opportunity to participate in the development, implementation and reviews of the resident's plan of care.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (9); Persons who approve plans of care

#### s. 62. (9); Persons who approve plans of care

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:

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

## <u>s. 62. (9), para. 1</u>

1. The resident or the resident's substitute decision-maker.

## **Closed Citations**

During an inspection, an inspector may follow-up with areas of non-compliance cited during a previous inspection, or verify compliance with areas initially cited during the current inspection. The inspector has verified that at the time of this report, the licensee was able to demonstrate that the following areas have come into compliance.

#### Retirement Homes Act, 2010:

# s. 65. (2); Training

65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

## s. 65. (2), (a)

(a) the Residents' Bill of Rights;

## s. 65. (2); Training

65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

# s. 65. (2), (b)

(b) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 67 (4) to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents;

## s. 65. (2); Training

65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

## s. 65. (2), (c)

(c) the protection afforded for whistle-blowing described in section 115;

## s. 65. (2); Training

65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

# s. 65. (2), (d)

(d) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 68 (3) regarding the use of personal assistance services devices for residents;

## s. 65. (2); Training

65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

# s. 65. (2), (f)

(f) fire prevention and safety;

# s. 65. (2); Training

65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

# s. 65. (2), (g)

(g) the licensee's emergency evacuation plan for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (3);

# s. 65. (2); Training 65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in, s. 65. (2), (h) (h) the emergency plan and the infection prevention and control program of the licensee for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (4); **Ontario Regulation 166/11:** s. 14. (1); Staff training 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. s. 23. (1); Behaviour management 23. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop and implement a written behaviour management strategy that includes, s. 23. (1), (a) (a) techniques to prevent and address resident behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home; s. 23. (1); Behaviour management 23. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop and implement a written behaviour management strategy that includes, s. 23. (1), (b) (b) strategies for interventions to prevent and address resident behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home; s. 23. (1); Behaviour management 23. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop and implement a written behaviour management strategy that includes, s. 23. (1), (c) (c) strategies for monitoring residents that have demonstrated behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home; s. 27. (9); Infection prevention and control program 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, s. 27. (9), (a) (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; s. 27. (9); Infection prevention and control program 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, s. 27. (9), (b) (b) the need for and process of reporting, providing surveillance of and documenting incidents of infectious illness.

# NOTICE

The Final Inspection Report is being provided to the Licensee, the Registrar of 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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