

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

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: June 7, 2023	Name of Inspector: Tania Buko
Inspection Type: Responsive Inspection – Mandatory Report	
Licensee: ACC-003175 - 2868928 ONTARIO INC.	
Retirement Home: Trillium Norwich	
License Number: S0539	

About Responsive Inspections

A responsive inspection, performed by an RHRA inspector, is a physical inspection of a licensed retirement home. A responsive inspection is conducted when RHRA receives information that the licensee may have failed to meet the standards of the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010* or its regulations (the “RHA”). An inspection being conducted does not infer that an allegation is substantiated or that a contravention of the RHA has occurred. A licensee is required to report to RHRA if they suspect harm or risk of harm to a resident. During a responsive inspection, an RHRA inspector may observe the operations of the home, interview relevant individuals, review records and other documentation, and determine whether the licensee’s management and staff have followed mandatory policies and practices designed to protect the welfare of residents.

Following a responsive 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 there is a serious incident or the licensee repeatedly does not meet the required standards, RHRA may take further action.

Concern(s)

During a responsive inspection, an inspector will focus primarily on the concern(s) which prompted the inspection and may take various actions to determine whether the licensee is compliant with the RHA in relating to the concern(s). Any findings of non-compliance identified in relation to these concerns are listed below.

Concern #1: CON-5436-Resident Record, Assessment, Plan of Care

RHRA Inspector Findings

While conducting this inspection, the Inspector followed up on areas of previous non-compliance relating to resident records. The inspector interviewed staff and reviewed resident's care records and again found several areas of non-compliance. Firstly, for one resident their falls risk and their needs related to that risk, as well as goals, details and directions to staff for providing assistance with showers and medication administration to resident were not documented in their plan of care. Secondly, a resident had not been reassessed, and their plan of care were not reviewed and revised very six months as required. Thirdly, the Licensee was unable to demonstrate that a new resident's plan of care had been developed within the required time frame. Lastly, there was no evidence that an interdisciplinary care conference was held for a resident who has dementia care needs.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

Concern #2: CON-5437-Staff Training

RHRA Inspector Findings

While conducting this inspection, the Inspector followed up on areas of previous non-compliance relating to staff training. The Inspector reviewed staff records and interviewed staff and found the Licensee was unable to demonstrate that all the staff had completed the required mandatory training prior to working in the home in the areas of Zero Tolerance of Abuse, Resident Bill of Rights, Infection control, Whistle Blower protection, PASDs, Fire prevention and Safety, Emergency Evacuation Plan, and Complaints, In addition, there was no evidence to support that the relevant staff who have worked in the home more than six months completed the required training in Behaviour Management. Furthermore, the Licensee was unable to demonstrate that all relevant staff had received training in all care services provided by the home.

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.

Concern #3: CON-5456-Improper or Incompetent Treatment or Care**RHRA Inspector Findings**

A report was made to the RHRA regarding suspected improper or incompetent treatment or care of a former resident, which triggered this inspection. As part of the inspection in response to the report, the Inspector reviewed records relating to the resident, and interviewed staff, family and community partners. The evidence showed there were no findings of non-compliance relating to the Licensee's treatment or care of the resident; however, there was no information in the plan of care regarding the resident's needs related to the skin and wound care they received from the home.

Outcome

The Licensee must take corrective action to achieve compliance.

Additional Findings

During a responsive inspection, an inspector may observe areas of non-compliance that are not related to the concern(s) which prompted the inspection. 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 Concerns or Additional Findings made during the current inspection are listed below.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 14. (1); Staff training**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.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 14. (3); Staff training**s. 14. (3); Staff training**

14. (3) For the purposes of paragraph 5 of subsection 65 (5) of the Act, every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that every staff member who provides a care service to a resident has received or receives training in,

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**s. 14. (3), (b)**

(b) each care service offered in the home so that the staff member is able to understand the general nature of each of those services, the standards applicable under the Act to each of those services and the aspects of each of those services that may be relevant to the staff member's own duties in the home.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 27. (9); Infection prevention and control program**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,

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

(b) the need for and process of reporting, providing surveillance of and documenting incidents of infectious illness.

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

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. 62. (1); Plan of care**s. 62. (1); Plan of care**

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.

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

s. 62. (12); Reassessment and revision

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,

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (4); Contents of plan

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62. (4) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that there is a written plan of care for each resident of the home that sets out,

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

s. 62. (4), (b)

(b) the planned care services for the resident that the licensee will provide, including,

s. 62. (4), (b), 1.

(i) the details of the services,

s. 62. (4), (b)

(b) the planned care services for the resident that the licensee will provide, including,

s. 62. (4), (b), 2.

(ii) the goals that the services are intended to achieve,

s. 62. (4), (b)

(b) the planned care services for the resident that the licensee will provide, including,

s. 62. (4), (b), 3.

(iii) clear directions to the licensee's staff who provide direct care to the resident;

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (6); Assessment of resident

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62. (6) The licensee shall ensure that the plan of care is based on an assessment of the resident and the needs and preferences of the resident.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 65. (2); Training

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

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

s. 65. (2), (a)

(a) the Residents' Bill of Rights;

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), (c)

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

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), (f)

(f) fire prevention and safety;

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);

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 65. (5); Additional training for direct care staff

s. 65. (5); Additional training for direct care staff

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:

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

s. 65. (5), para. 3

3. Behaviour management.

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. 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:

s. 62. (9), para. 2

2. The prescribed person if there is a person prescribed for the purpose of this paragraph.

s. 67. (5); Contents

67. (5) At a minimum, the policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents shall,

s. 67. (5), (a)

(a) clearly set out what constitutes abuse and neglect;

s. 73. (2); Requirements for procedure

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

Ontario Regulation 166/11:

s. 15. (3); Policy of zero tolerance of abuse and neglect

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

s. 15. (3), (d)

(d) subject to subsection (4), provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that the resident's substitute decision-makers, if any, and any other person specified by the resident,

s. 15. (3), (d), 1.

(i) are notified immediately upon the licensee becoming aware of an alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect of a resident that has resulted in a physical injury or pain to a resident or that causes distress to a resident that could potentially be detrimental to a resident's health or well-being,

s. 15. (3); Policy of zero tolerance of abuse and neglect

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

s. 15. (3), (d)

(d) subject to subsection (4), provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that the resident's substitute decision-makers, if any, and any other person specified by the resident,

s. 15. (3), (d), 2.

(ii) are notified within 12 hours upon the licensee becoming aware of any other alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect of a resident;

s. 15. (3); Policy of zero tolerance of abuse and neglect

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

s. 15. (3), (e)

(e) subject to subsection (4), provide that the licensee of the retirement home shall ensure that the resident and the resident's substitute decision-makers, if any, are notified of the results of an investigation described in clause 67 (5) (e) of the Act immediately upon the completion of the investigation;

s. 22. (3); Risk of falls

22. (3) If a resident of a retirement home falls in the home in circumstances other than those described in subsection (2) and the licensee or a staff member becomes aware of the fall, the licensee shall ensure that the licensee or a staff member documents the fall, the response to the fall and the corrective actions taken, if any.

s. 29.; Administration of drugs or other substances

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,

s. 29. (c)

(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;

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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,

s. 29. (e)

(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,

s. 29. (e), 1.

(i) ways of reducing the incidence of infectious disease, including maintaining proper hand hygiene,

s. 29.; Administration of drugs or other substances

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,

s. 29. (e)

(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,

s. 29. (e), 2.

(ii) the safe disposal of syringes and other sharps,

s. 29.; Administration of drugs or other substances

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,

s. 29. (e)

(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,

s. 29. (e), 3.

(iii) recognizing an adverse drug reaction and taking appropriate action;

s. 32.; Records

32. 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,

s. 32. (a)

(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;

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 <http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database>.

Signature of Inspector <i>Tania Buks</i>	Date July 24, 2023
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