

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

**Inspection Information** 

Date of Inspection: August 9, 2023 Name of Inspector: Angela Newman

**Inspection Type:** Routine Inspection

Licensee: ACC-002479 - Owen Sound Gardens Retirement Residence Limited Partnership

Retirement Home: Owen Sound Gardens Retirement Residence

**License Number: S0545** 

## **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: Abuse and Neglect

## **RHRA Inspector Findings**

During the routine inspection, the inspector found evidence of an incident of alleged resident financial abuse. The Licensee did not notify the substitute decision maker and make a report to the RHRA as required, and therefore failed to ensure its Zero Tolerance of Abuse and Neglect policy was complied with in response to alleged financial abuse.

#### **Outcome**

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

#### Focus Area #2: Complaints

### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

As a part of the routine inspection, the inspector reviewed the home's complaint log and noted the home failed to complete the required quarterly trend analysis. The Licensee failed to ensure their written records of complaints included all the required elements.

#### Outcome

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

## Focus Area #3: Emergency Plan

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of the routine inspection, the inspector reviewed the Licensee's records of testing for their emergency plans and found that the testing for situations involving the loss of essential services, violent outburst, medical emergencies, and missing resident had not been completed annually as required. Further, the Licensee failed to ensure there was a current written agreement with a community partner to assist with transportation of residents in the event of an evacuation. The Licensee failed to ensure that testing was done annually as required.

#### Outcome

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

#### Focus Area #4: Resident Record, Assessment, Plan of Care

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of the routine inspection, the inspector reviewed a sample of residents' plan of care. This review found that residents' care plans did not indicate if the resident (or substitute decision maker) provided consent for each assessment as well as consent to the Licensee to collect and share information with external care providers. The Licensee failed to ensure the care plans followed the legislation.

#### **Outcome**

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

## Focus Area #5: Staff Training

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of a routine inspection, the inspector reviewed staff training records for medication administration. This review indicated the home lacked a written policy and procedure describing the training requirements and process for unregulated care providers operating within the home's medication management system. The Licensee failed to ensure all staff administering medications were trained appropriately in the policies relevant to their duties.

#### **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. 67. (4); Policy to promote zero tolerance

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67. (4) Without in any way restricting the generality of the duties described in subsections (1) and (2), the licensee shall ensure that there is a written policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents and shall ensure that the policy is complied with.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 75. (1); Reporting certain matters to Registrar

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75. (1) A person who has reasonable grounds to suspect that any of the following has occurred or may occur shall immediately report the suspicion and the information upon which it is based to the Registrar:

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

## s. 75. (1), para. 4

4. Misuse or misappropriation of a resident's money.

#### **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. (2); Assessment only with consent, etc.

62. (2) Nothing in this section authorizes a licensee to assess or to reassess a resident without the resident's consent.

#### s. 62. (4); Contents of plan

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,

#### s. 62. (4), (d)

(d) a statement indicating whether the resident has provided consent to the licensee to collect information from external care providers, to use such information and to disclose the contents of the plan of care to external care providers and others.

# 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), (i)

(i) all Acts, regulations, policies of the Authority and similar documents, including policies of the licensee, that are relevant to the person's duties;

## s. 73. (1); Procedure for complaints to licensee

73. (1) 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.

## Ontario Regulation 166/11:

### s. 24. (4); Emergency plan, general

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.

# s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general

24. (5) The licensee shall,

## s. 24. (5), (a)

(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,

## s. 24. (5), (a), 1.

(i) the loss of essential services,

## s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general

24. (5) The licensee shall,

## s. 24. (5), (a)

(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,

#### s. 24. (5), (a), 2.

(ii) situations involving a missing resident,

# s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general

24. (5) The licensee shall,

## s. 24. (5), (a)

(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,

#### s. 24. (5), (a), 3.

(iii) medical emergencies,

## s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general

24. (5) The licensee shall,

## s. 24. (5), (a)

(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,

s. 24. (5), (a), 4.

(iv) violent outbursts;

### s. 59. (3); Procedure for complaints to licensee

59. (3) The licensee shall ensure that,

s. 59. (3), (a)

(a) the written record is reviewed and analyzed for trends at least quarterly;

## s. 59. (3); Procedure for complaints to licensee

59. (3) The licensee shall ensure that,

s. 59. (3), (b)

(b) the results of the review and analysis are taken into account in determining what improvements are required in the retirement home;

# s. 59. (3); Procedure for complaints to licensee

59. (3) The licensee shall ensure that,

s. 59. (3), (c)

(c) a written record is kept of each review and of the improvements made in response.

## **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 <a href="http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database">http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database</a>.

Signature of Inspector	Date
Angela Newman	August 18, 2023