

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

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: November 22, 2023	Name of Inspector: Jennifer Sarkis
Inspection Type: Routine Inspection	
Licensee: ACC-002400 - Highgate Residence Inc.	
Retirement Home: Highgate Residence	
License Number: S0125	

### 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: Staff Training

#### RHRA Inspector Findings

The inspector reviewed a sample of staff training records and found that 4 staff members had not been trained on the Licensee's complaint procedure, fire and emergency safety, infection prevention and control program, residents bill of rights, whistleblower protection, zero tolerance to abuse, restraints and PASDs 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.*

**Not Applicable**

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

Signature of Inspector 	Date  December 12, 2023
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