

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

**Inspection Information** 

Date of Inspection: 12/6/2023 Name of Inspector: Michele Davidson

**Inspection Type:** Routine Inspection

Licensee: ACC-002385 - York Region Christian Senior Homes Inc.

**Retirement Home: The Meadows of Aurora** 

**License Number: T0603** 

## **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: Emergency Plan

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

During a Routine Inspection, the inspector reviewed the Licencee's emergency response plan. Part of the emergency reponse includes the completion of annual drills in specified areas. The Licensee provided incomplete information on the completion of the emergency drills and as a result, the inspector was unable to determine that the drills had been completed aacccording to the requirements. Further, the Licensee was unable to provide evidence of a policy on dealing with pandemics and epidemic, and a test of their response to epidemics and pandemics.

#### 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.

#### Focus Area #2: Maintenance

## **RHRA Inspector Findings**

The inspector completed a Routine Inspection of the retirement home. During that inspection, the inspector observed an unattended cart which could have been accessed by residents and contained hazardous substances. The Licensee failed to enure that hazardous substances were inaccessible to residents at all times.

#### 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.

## Focus Area #3: Staff Training

## **RHRA Inspector Findings**

During the conduction of a Routine Inspection, the inspector reviewed a random sample of the Licensee's staff training. The inspector found that some staff had not received annual re-training on some of the home's policies that were related to their role specific duties. The Licensee did not ensure that annual re-training had been conducted as prescribed.

#### 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.

## **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. 21. (2); Hazardous substances

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21. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that all hazardous substances used by staff of the home or under their control are labelled properly and are kept inaccessible to residents at all times.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general

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24. (5) The licensee shall,

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

#### 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), (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), (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), (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), 3.1

(iii.1) epidemics and pandemics,

## 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. 24. (5), (b)

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

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 25. (3); Emergency plan, retirement home with more than 10 residents

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25. (3) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:

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

#### s. 25. (3), para. 1

1. Dealing with,

## s. 25. (3), para. 1, 5.1

v.1 epidemics and pandemics,

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 65. (4); On-going training

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65. (4) The licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive the training described in subsection (2) receive ongoing training as described in that subsection at the times required by the regulations.

#### **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.

## **Not Applicable**

# **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  M. Davidson	Date December 22, 2023