

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

**Inspection Information** 

Date of Inspection: December 1, 2023 Name of Inspector: Tania Buko

**Inspection Type:** Routine Inspection

Licensee: ACC-002470 - Chartwell Master Care Corporation
Retirement Home: Chartwell Bankside Retirement Residence

**License Number: T0088** 

#### **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**

As part of the inspection, the Inspector reviewed the Licensee's zero tolerance of abuse and neglect policy and related documents and interviewed staff and found there was a reported incident of alleged emotional and/or verbal abuse from an external care provider towards a resident. The Inspector determined the Licensee failed to immediately report the incident to the Registrar as required and failed to fully follow the directives of their zero tolerance of abuse and neglect policy as the resident was not interviewed.

#### 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: Complaints

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of the routine inspection, the Inspector reviewed the Licensee's complaints log and complaints policy and found there was a lack of documented evidence to support the home fully complied with the Licensee's complaints policy in the handling of all the reviewed complaints in relation to what actions were taken to resolve the complaints within the required timeframes, what the final resolutions were if any, dates which any responses were provided to the complainants and a description of those responses, any responses made in turn by the complainants and the nature of one written complaint. The Inspector confirmed that the Licensee failed to comply with the home's complaints policy and that the written records of the reviewed complaints included all the required elements.

#### 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: Emergency Plan

# **RHRA Inspector Findings**

The Inspector reviewed the Licensee's emergency plan and interviewed staff and found that their pandemic and epidemic plan had not been tested annually as required.

#### Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by Friday January 5, 2024. 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. 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), 3.1

(iii.1) epidemics and pandemics,

# The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 59. (1); Procedure for complaints to licensee

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59. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that every written or verbal complaint made to the licensee or a staff member concerning the care of a resident or operation of the home is dealt with as follows:

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

#### s. 59. (1), para. 3

3. For those complaints that cannot be investigated and resolved within 10 business days, an acknowledgement of receipt of the complaint shall be provided within 10 business days of receipt of the complaint, including the date by which the complainant can reasonably expect a resolution, and a follow-up response that complies with paragraph 4 shall be provided as soon as possible in the circumstances.

## s. 59. (1), para. 4

4. A response shall be made to the person who made the complaint, indicating,

#### s. 59. (1), para. 4, 1.

i. what the licensee has done to resolve the complaint,

# s. 59. (1), para. 4

4. A response shall be made to the person who made the complaint, indicating,

# s. 59. (1), para. 4, 2.

ii. that the licensee believes the complaint to be unfounded and the reasons for the belief.

# The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 59. (2); Procedure for complaints to licensee

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59. (2) The licensee shall ensure that a written record is kept in the retirement home that includes,

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

#### s. 59. (2), (c)

(c) the type of action taken to resolve the complaint, including the date of the action, time frames for actions to be taken and any follow-up action required;

#### s. 59. (2), (d)

(d) the final resolution, if any, of the complaint;

#### s. 59. (2), (e)

(e) every date on which any response was provided to the complainant and a description of the response;

## s. 59. (2), (f)

(f) any response made in turn by the complainant.

#### 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. 2

2. Abuse of a resident by anyone or neglect of a resident by the licensee or the staff of the retirement home of the resident if it results in harm or a risk of harm to the resident.

#### **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;

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

Signature of Inspector	Date
Tania Buko	January 2, 2024