

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

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: January 31, 2024

Name of Inspector: Angela Newman

Inspection Type: Routine Inspection

Licensee: ACC-003004 - Seasons Retirement Communities (Owen Sound) GP Inc.

Retirement Home: Seasons Owen Sound

License Number: S0158

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

As part of the routine inspection, the inspector reviewed a sample of orientation and annual training records in the areas of zero tolerance of abuse, resident bill of rights, infection control, whistle blower protection, personal assistance services devices, fire prevention and safety, complaints, and behaviour management. The inspector found that the Licensee failed to train staff during orientation and annual training on the Licensee's policy regarding the use of personal assistance devices. The home was not able to demonstrate that orientation and annual training was completed in alignment with legislation.

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. 14. (2); Staff training**s. 14. (2); Staff training**

14. (2) For the purposes of subsection 65 (4) of the Act, the licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive training under subsection 65 (2) of the Act receive the training at least annually.

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

Specifically, the Licensee failed to comply with the following subsection(s):**s. 65. (2), (d)**

(d) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 68 (3) regarding the use of personal assistance services devices for residents;

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

65. (4) The licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive the training described in subsection (2) receive on-going 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.

Retirement Homes Act, 2010:

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), (a)

(a) the care services that are part of a package of care services that the resident is entitled to receive under the resident's agreement with the licensee, whether or not the resident receives the services;

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. 1

1. The resident or the resident's substitute decision-maker.

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.

Ontario Regulation 166/11:

s. 25. (3); Emergency plan, retirement home with more than 10 residents

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

s. 25. (3), para. 3

3. Resources, supplies and equipment vital for the emergency response being set aside and readily available at the retirement home and regular testing of all such resources, supplies and equipment to ensure that they are in working order.

s. 27. (5); Infection prevention and control program

27. (5) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that,

s. 27. (5), (0.a)

(0.a) any guidance, advice or recommendations given to retirement homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health are followed in the retirement home;

s. 27. (5); Infection prevention and control program

27. (5) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that,

s. 27. (5), (0.b)

(0.b) all reasonable steps are taken in the retirement home to follow,

s. 27. (5), (0.b), 2.

(ii) any guidance, advice or recommendations respecting coronavirus (COVID-19) that are given to long-term care homes by the Chief Medical Officer of Health and made available on the Government of Ontario's website respecting coronavirus (COVID-19);

s. 43. (1); Initial assessment of care needs

43. (1) Subject to section 45, no later than two days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of the home shall ensure that an initial assessment of the resident's immediate care needs is conducted.

s. 44. (1); Full assessment of care needs

44. (1) Subject to section 46, no later than 14 days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee shall ensure that a full assessment of the resident's care needs and preferences is conducted.

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
Angela Newman

Date
February 13, 2024