

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

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: February 6, 2024	Name of Inspector: Melissa Meikle
Inspection Type: Responsive Inspection – Mandatory Report	
Licensee: ACC-002783 - Symphony Senior Living Ottawa LP	
Retirement Home: Forest Valley Terrace By Symphony	
License Number: N0273	

About Responsive Inspections

A responsive inspection, performed by an RHRA inspector, is a physical inspection of a licensed retirement home. A responsive inspection is conducted when RHRA receives information that the licensee may have failed to meet the standards of the *Retirement Homes Act, 2010* or its regulations (the “*RHA*”). An inspection being conducted does not infer that an allegation is substantiated or that a contravention of the RHA has occurred. A licensee is required to report to RHRA if they suspect harm or risk of harm to a resident. During a responsive inspection, an RHRA inspector may observe the operations of the home, interview relevant individuals, review records and other documentation, and determine whether the licensee’s management and staff have followed mandatory policies and practices designed to protect the welfare of residents.

Following a responsive 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 there is a serious incident or the licensee repeatedly does not meet the required standards, RHRA may take further action.

Concern(s)

During a responsive inspection, an inspector will focus primarily on the concern(s) which prompted the

inspection and may take various actions to determine whether the licensee is compliant with the RHA in relating to the concern(s). Any findings of non-compliance identified in relation to these concerns are listed below.

Concern #1: CON-7907-Abuse

RHRA Inspector Findings

The Licensee reported to RHRA that an incident of resident-to-resident abuse had occurred. As part of the inspection in response to the allegation, the inspector reviewed the Licensee's care policies and procedures, staff training records and the residents' care files. The inspector found that the Licensee failed to ensure that the initial and full assessments and plans of care were completed for 1 resident. Furthermore, the Licensee did not develop behaviour management techniques, strategies and monitoring for this resident. The Licensee failed to ensure that assessments and plans of care were being completed as required and failed to implement Behaviour Management strategies 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 responsive inspection, an inspector may observe areas of non-compliance that are not related to the concern(s) which prompted the inspection. 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 Concerns or Additional Findings made during the current inspection are listed below.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 23. (1); Behaviour management

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23. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop and implement a written behaviour management strategy that includes,

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

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), (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), (c)

(c) strategies for monitoring residents that have demonstrated behaviours that pose a risk to the resident or others in the home;

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 43. (1); Initial assessment of care needs

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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.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 44. (1); Full assessment of care needs

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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.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 47. (1); Development of plan of care

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47. (1) Subject to subsection (4), as soon as possible and not later than two days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of a retirement home shall develop an initial plan of care for the resident based on the initial assessment of the resident's immediate care needs conducted under section 43 that includes all of the information listed in subsection 62 (4) of the Act that is relevant to the resident's immediate care needs.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 47. (2); Development of plan of care

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47. (2) No later than 21 days after a resident commences residency in a retirement home, the licensee of the home shall develop a complete plan of care for the resident based on the full assessment of the resident's care needs and preferences conducted under section 44 that takes into account all of the matters that must be considered in a full assessment.

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 	Date February 22, 2024
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