

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

Inspection Information	
<b>Date of Inspection:</b> September 16, 2024	<b>Name of Inspector:</b> Angela Newman
<b>Inspection Type:</b> Responsive Inspection – Compliance	
<b>Licensee:</b> ACC-002621 - Oxford SC Walford Thunder Bay LP	
<b>Retirement Home:</b> The Walford Thunder Bay	
<b>License Number:</b> N0497	

#### 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 imply 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 relation to the concern(s). Any findings of non-compliance identified in relation to these concerns are listed below.*

**Concern #1: CON-2270-Resident records, assessments and plans of care**

**RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of a compliance inspection, the inspector reviewed a sample of resident care plans and found that three care plans had not been approved by the resident or their substitute decision maker. In addition, the Licensee failed to ensure that the development of the assessment and plan of care were completed within the required time frame for three residents. The Licensee failed to ensure that resident assessments and care plans were in compliance with the legislation.

**Outcome**

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by September 27, 2024. 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. 43. (1); Initial assessment of care needs**

**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.

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

**s. 47. (1); Development of plan of care**

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. 62. (1); Plan of care**

**s. 62. (1); Plan of care**

62. (1) When a resident commences his or her residency in a retirement home, the licensee shall, within the prescribed times, ensure that the resident is assessed and that a plan of care is developed based on the assessment and in accordance with this section and the regulations.

**The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (9); Persons who approve plans of care**

**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:

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

**s. 62. (9), para. 1**

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

**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. (12); Reassessment and revision**

62. (12) The licensee shall ensure that the resident is reassessed and the plan of care reviewed and revised at least every six months and at any other time if, in the opinion of the licensee or the resident,

**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.

**s. 65. (5); Additional training for direct care staff**

65. (5) The licensee shall ensure that all staff who provide care services to residents receive training in the following matters and at the times required by the regulations, as a condition of continuing to have contact with residents, in addition to the other training that they are required to receive under this section:

**s. 65. (5), para. 3**

3. Behaviour management.

**Ontario Regulation 166/11:**

**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.

**s. 14. (3); Staff training**

14. (3) For the purposes of paragraph 5 of subsection 65 (5) of the Act, every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that every staff member who provides a care service to a resident has received or receives training in,

**s. 14. (3), (b)**

(b) each care service offered in the home so that the staff member is able to understand the general nature of each of those services, the standards applicable under the Act to each of those services and

the aspects of each of those services that may be relevant to the staff member's own duties in the home.

**s. 14. (5); Staff training**

14. (5) The licensee shall ensure that the persons who are required to receive the training described in subsection 65 (5) of the Act receive that training on an ongoing basis, namely at least annually after receiving the training described in subsection (4).

**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. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general**

24. (5) The licensee shall,

**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); Emergency plan, general**

24. (5) The licensee shall,

**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); Emergency plan, general**

24. (5) The licensee shall,

**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); Emergency plan, general**

24. (5) The licensee shall,

**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); Emergency plan, general**

24. (5) The licensee shall,

**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); Emergency plan, general**

24. (5) The licensee shall,

**s. 24. (5), (b)**

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

**s. 29.; Administration of drugs or other substances**

29. If one of the care services that the licensee or the staff of a retirement home provide to a resident of the home is the administration of a drug or other substance, the licensee shall ensure that,

**s. 29. (c)**

(c) neither the licensee nor a staff member administers a drug to a resident in the home unless the licensee or the staff member has received training in the procedures applicable to the administration of the drug;

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29. If one of the care services that the licensee or the staff of a retirement home provide to a resident of the home is the administration of a drug or other substance, the licensee shall ensure that,

**s. 29. (e)**

(e) if the licensee or a staff member is involved in the administration of the drug or other substance at the home, that the licensee or staff member is trained in,

**s. 29. (e), 1.**

(i) ways of reducing the incidence of infectious disease, including maintaining proper hand hygiene,

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29. If one of the care services that the licensee or the staff of a retirement home provide to a resident of the home is the administration of a drug or other substance, the licensee shall ensure that,

**s. 29. (e)**

(e) if the licensee or a staff member is involved in the administration of the drug or other substance at the home, that the licensee or staff member is trained in,

**s. 29. (e), 2.**

(ii) the safe disposal of syringes and other sharps,

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29. If one of the care services that the licensee or the staff of a retirement home provide to a resident of the home is the administration of a drug or other substance, the licensee shall ensure that,

**s. 29. (e)**

(e) if the licensee or a staff member is involved in the administration of the drug or other substance at the home, that the licensee or staff member is trained in,

**s. 29. (e), 3.**

(iii) recognizing an adverse drug reaction and taking appropriate action;

**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.

**s. 47. (2); Development of plan of care**

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.

## 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 <i>Angela Newman</i>	Date September 20, 2024
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