RHRA Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority

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

Inspection Information	
Date of Inspection: 12/9/2024	**Name of Inspector: Shyla Sittampalam, RN**
Inspection Type: Responsive Inspection – Mandatory Report	
Licensee: ACC-002637 - V!VA Retirement Communities Inc.	
Retirement Home: V!VA Thornhill Woods Retirement Community	
License Number: T0256	

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-3209-Medication Administration

RHRA Inspector Findings

The Licensee reported to the RHRA that staff had administered medications over several days to a resident without medication orders. As part of the inspection in response to this report, the inspector reviewed the resident's records, the Licensee's investigation documents, and policies related to medication management. The inspector found that staff administered several medications without orders, failed to record the name, amount, route, time, and date of medications administered, and that the Licensee was unable to provide evidence of previous evaluations of medication errors and adverse drug reactions. Additionally, the Licensee failed to ensure that a plan of care was developed based on the resident's assessment.

Outcome

The Licensee submitted a plan to achieve compliance by Wed Jan 15 2025. 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. 32.; Records

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32. If the licensee or a member of the staff of a retirement home administers a drug or other substance to a resident, the licensee shall ensure that,

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

s. 32. (a)

(a) the person who administered the drug or other substance prepares a written record noting the name and amount of the drug or other substance, the route of its administration and the time and date on which it was administered;

s. 32. (b)

(b) if a drug is administered, there is written evidence that the drug was prescribed for the resident by a person who is authorized to prescribe a drug under section 27 of the Regulated Health Professions Act,

1991;

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 33. (3); Medication error

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33. (3) Every licensee of a retirement home shall evaluate the risk of medication errors and adverse drug reactions in the home at least annually and keep a written record of each evaluation.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 62. (1); Plan of care

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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.

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
Shyla Sittampalam, RN	January 9, 2025