

FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: February 25, 2025 Name of Inspector: Samantha Smith

Inspection Type: Routine Inspection

Licensee: ACC-002407 - 873888 Ontario Limited

Retirement Home: Dowling Rest Home

License Number: T0409

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: Complaints

RHRA Inspector Findings

The inspector reviewed the Licensee's complaints log and noted that the Licensee has not completed any analysis relating to their complaints in 2024 or 2025. The Licensee failed to ensure the the written complaints record is reviewed and analyzed for trends at least quarterly, that the results of the review and analysis are taken into account in determining what improvements are required in the retirement home, and a written record is kept of each review and of the improvements made in response as required.

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: PASDs and Restraints

RHRA Inspector Findings

The inspector reviewed a sample of resident care files and found that a resident is using a wheelchair with a seatbelt (personal assistance service device), for which the home does not have any supporting documentation. The Licensee failed to ensure to the use of the device has been approved by a regulated health professional and the resident or substitute decision maker, and failed to ensure that the use of the device is documented in the resident's plan of care as required.

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. 59. (3); Procedure for complaints to licensee

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59. (3) The licensee shall ensure that,

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

s. 59. (3), (a)

(a) the written record is reviewed and analyzed for trends at least quarterly;

s. 59. (3), (b)

(b) the results of the review and analysis are taken into account in determining what improvements are required in the retirement home;

s. 59. (3), (c)

(c) a written record is kept of each review and of the improvements made in response.

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 69. (2); Restrictions on use

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69. (2) A licensee of a retirement home or an external care provider who provides care services in the home may permit the use of a personal assistance services device for a resident of the home only if,

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

s. 69. (2), (c)

(c) one or more of the following persons have approved the use of the device:

s. 69. (2), (c), 1.

(i) a legally qualified medical practitioner,

s. 69. (2), (c)

(c) one or more of the following persons have approved the use of the device:

s. 69. (2), (c), 2.

(ii) a member of the College of Nurses of Ontario,

s. 69. (2), (c)

(c) one or more of the following persons have approved the use of the device:

s. 69. (2), (c), 3.

(iii) a member of the College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario,

s. 69. (2), (c)

(c) one or more of the following persons have approved the use of the device:

s. 69. (2), (c), 4.

(iv) a member of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario,

s. 69. (2), (c)

(c) one or more of the following persons have approved the use of the device:

s. 69. (2), (c), 5.

(v) any other prescribed person;

s. 69. (2), (d)

(d) the resident or, if the resident is incapable, the resident's substitute decision-maker, has consented to the use of the device;

s. 69. (2), (e)

(e) the use of the device is included in the resident's plan of care;

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. (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.

Ontario Regulation 166/11:

s. 19. (1); Maintenance

19. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that a maintenance program is in place to ensure that the building forming the retirement home, including both interior and exterior areas and its operational systems, are maintained in good repair.

s. 19. (2); Maintenance

19. (2) The maintenance program shall include policies and procedures for routine, preventative and remedial maintenance of the following in the retirement home:

s. 19. (2), para. 4

4. If provided by the licensee, equipment, devices, assistive aids, positioning aids and shower grab bars.

s. 20. (2); Food preparation

20. (2) The licensee shall ensure that all foods and fluids used in food preparation are prepared, stored, and served using methods to prevent contamination and food borne illness.

s. 22. (1); Risk of falls

22. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall develop, document and implement strategies to reduce or mitigate the risk of falls in common areas of the home.

s. 22. (3); Risk of falls

22. (3) If a resident of a retirement home falls in the home in circumstances other than those described in subsection (2) and the licensee or a staff member becomes aware of the fall, the licensee shall ensure that the licensee or a staff member documents the fall, the response to the fall and the corrective actions taken, if any.

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;

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
Samautha Smith	March 24, 2025