

# FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

**Inspection Information** 

Date of Inspection: March 20, 2025 Name of Inspector: Melissa Meikle

Inspection Type: Responsive Inspection – Complaint

Licensee: ACC-003276 - Alavida Lifestyles

**Retirement Home: Les Promenades** 

**License Number: N0143** 

## **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-4492-Complaints Procedure

# **RHRA Inspector Findings**

A complaint report was made to the RHRA about improper care of a resident. The inspector reviewed the Licensee's complaints log and noted that the records of the complaint for February and March of 2025 did not include, the nature of the complaint, type of action taken to resolve the complaint, the dates which responses were provided to the complainant and descriptions of the responses, as well as the responses made in turn by the complainant. Additionally, 3 complaints the complainant reported were not investigated nor was there a response to the written concern. The Licensee failed to ensure that their written record of complaints included all the required elements and to investigate and respond to written complaints received.

#### **Outcome**

The Licensee provided information indicating that corrective action was being taken, however, further action must be taken to achieve compliance with all areas outlined in the finding. RHRA to confirm compliance by following up with the Licensee or by inspection.

Concern #2: CON-4516-Food

# **RHRA Inspector Findings**

A report was made to the RHRA about a resident not being provided with a meal. The inspector reviewed the Licensee's policies and interviewed the resident. The Licensee was unable to demonstrate that the home investigated the concern or responded to it. Additionally, the Licensee was unable to provide proof that the resident did receive the meal. The Licensee failed to provide a resident a meal as required on January 7, 2025.

#### **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.

Concern #3: CON-4517-Medication Administration

#### **RHRA Inspector Findings**

While conducting this inspection, the inspector made a finding unrelated to the purpose of the inspection. The inspector found evidence through documentation in the home and interviews with witnesses that narcotics are unaccounted for. The Licensee reported the suspected missing controlled substance to the police and the substitute decision maker on March 21, 2025. The inspector confirmed that the Licensee had reason to suspect that the incident may have constituted a criminal offence yet failed to contact police, as required by their zero tolerance of abuse policy. The Licensee did not ensure their zero tolerance of abuse policy was complied with fully.

#### **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.

## **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. 67. (4); Policy to promote zero tolerance

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67. (4) Without in any way restricting the generality of the duties described in subsections (1) and (2), the licensee shall ensure that there is a written policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents and shall ensure that the policy is complied with.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 59. (1); Procedure for complaints to licensee

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59. (1) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that every written or verbal complaint made to the licensee or a staff member concerning the care of a resident or operation of the home is dealt with as follows:

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

# s. 59. (1), para. 2

2. The complaint shall be resolved if possible, and a response that complies with paragraph 4 provided within 10 business days of the receipt of the complaint.

# s. 59. (1), para. 4

4. A response shall be made to the person who made the complaint, indicating,

# s. 59. (1), para. 4, 1.

i. what the licensee has done to resolve the complaint,

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 59. (2); Procedure for complaints to licensee

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59. (2) The licensee shall ensure that a written record is kept in the retirement home that includes,

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

# s. 59. (2), (a)

(a) the nature of each verbal or written complaint;

#### s. 59. (2), (b)

(b) the date that the complaint was received;

# s. 59. (2), (c)

(c) the type of action taken to resolve the complaint, including the date of the action, time frames for actions to be taken and any follow-up action required;

## s. 59. (2), (d)

(d) the final resolution, if any, of the complaint;

#### s. 59. (2), (e)

(e) every date on which any response was provided to the complainant and a description of the response;

#### s. 59. (2), (f)

(f) any response made in turn by the complainant.

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40. 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 provision of a meal, the licensee shall ensure that,

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

#### s. 40. (a)

(a) if the licensee is the sole provider of the resident's meals, the resident is offered at least three meals per day at reasonable and regular meal hours, a beverage between the morning and midday meals, a snack and a beverage between the midday and evening meals and a snack and a beverage after the evening meal;

#### **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 <a href="http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database">http://www.rhra.ca/en/retirement-home-database</a>.

Signature of Inspector	Date
Melissa Meikle	April 28, 2025