

FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: September 16, 2025 Name of Inspector: Angela Butler

Inspection Type: Routine Inspection

Licensee: ACC-002399 - Hygate Management Services Corporation

Retirement Home: The Hygate on Lexington

License Number: T0608

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: Emergency Plan

RHRA Inspector Findings

The Inspector reviewed the Licensee's emergency plan and found there was no evidence that the home had a written plan for epidemics/pandemics. The Licensee failed to ensure there is a written Pandemic and Epidemic plan as required.

Outcome

The Licensee has demonstrated it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance.

Focus Area #2: Resident Record, Assessment, Plan of Care

RHRA Inspector Findings

The inspector reviewed a sample of resident care files and found that one resident did not have their plan of care updated at 6 months as required. Further, the inspector found that 3 of the 7 plans of care had not been approved by the resident or their substitute decision maker (SDM). These were areas of previous non-compliance and will remain as such. The Licensee failed to ensure plans of care were updated every 6 months and were approved as required.

Outcome

The Licensee has demonstrated it has taken corrective action to achieve compliance.

Focus Area #3: Staff Training

RHRA Inspector Findings

The inspector reviewed a sample of training records in the areas of Zero tolerance of abuse, Bill of Rights, Infection control, Whistle Blower protection, Personal Assistive Service Devices (PASDs), Fire prevention and safety, Emergency plans, Injury prevention, Complaints, Behaviour management, and relevant Care services. The inspector reviewed not only records for staff recently hired to determine compliance with orientation training, but also a sample of training records for those hired previously to determine compliance with annual training in these areas.

The inspector found that the orientation training for new staff was not completed prior to the staff member working in the home.

For the annual training files reviewed, six staff had not completed training in 2024 in the reviewed training areas.

The home was not able to determine that orientation and annual training was being completed in alignment with the regulations.

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. 65. (2); Training

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65. (2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that no staff work in the home unless they have received training in,

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

s. 65. (2), (a)

(a) the Residents' Bill of Rights;

s. 65. (2), (b)

(b) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 67 (4) to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents;

s. 65. (2), (c)

(c) the protection afforded for whistle-blowing described in section 115;

s. 65. (2), (d)

(d) the licensee's policy mentioned in subsection 68 (3) regarding the use of personal assistance services devices for residents;

s. 65. (2), (e)

(e) injury prevention;

s. 65. (2), (f)

(f) fire prevention and safety;

s. 65. (2), (q)

(g) the licensee's emergency evacuation plan for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (3);

s. 65. (2), (h)

(h) the emergency plan and the infection prevention and control program of the licensee for the home mentioned in subsection 60 (4);

The Licensee failed to comply with the RHA s. 65. (4); On-going training

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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.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 27. (9); Infection prevention and control program

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27. (9) The licensee shall ensure that each staff member who works in the retirement home receives training on how to reduce the incidence of infectious disease transmission, including,

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

s. 27. (9), (a)

(a) the need for and method of maintaining proper hand hygiene and method of preventing cross contamination, including proper handling of soiled linens, the protection of uniforms, and the separation of clean and dirty items;

s. 27. (9), (b)

(b) the need for and process of reporting, providing surveillance of and documenting incidents of infectious illness.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 14. (1); Staff training

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14. (1) For the purposes of clause 65 (2) (j) of the Act, every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that all staff who work in the home receive training in the procedure described in subsection 73 (1) of the Act for a person to complain to the licensee.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 14. (2); Staff training

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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.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 14. (3); Staff training

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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,

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

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.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 14. (5); Staff training

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).

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. 62. (4); Contents of plan

62. (4) The licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that there is a written plan of care for each

resident of the home that sets out,

s. 62. (4), (a)

(a) the care services that are part of a package of care services that the resident is entitled to receive under the resident's agreement with the licensee, whether or not the resident receives the services;

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. 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;

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. 25. (3); Emergency plan, retirement home with more than 10 residents

25. (3) The licensee shall ensure that the emergency plan provides for the following:

s. 25. (3), para. 1

1. Dealing with,

s. 25. (3), para. 1, 5.1

v.1 epidemics and pandemics,

s. 43. (2); Initial assessment of care needs

43. (2) The initial assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:

s. 43. (2), para. 2

2. Presence of infectious diseases.

s. 43. (2); Initial assessment of care needs

43. (2) The initial assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:

s. 43. (2), para. 7

7. Risk of harm to self and to others.

s. 44. (2); Full assessment of care needs

44. (2) The full assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:

s. 44. (2), para. 4

4. Behavioural issues.

s. 44. (2); Full assessment of care needs

44. (2) The full assessment mentioned in subsection (1) shall consider the following matters with respect to the resident:

s. 44. (2), para. 7

7. The matters listed in subsection 43 (2).

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 Wagela Scotler RN	Date October 15, 2025
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