

FINAL INSPECTION REPORT Under the Retirement Homes Act, 2010

Inspection Information

Date of Inspection: November 5, 2025 **Name of Inspector:** Kate Fish

Inspection Type: Responsive Inspection – Mandatory Report

Licensee: ACC-003202 - Palgardens Inc Retirement Home: Palisade Gardens

License Number: T0196

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-7274-Medication Administration

RHRA Inspector Findings

An inspection was conducted in response to an anonymous concern related to improper medication administration. The concern alleged medications for two residents were not being administered in accordance with the directions for use specified by the prescriber. The inspector reviewed care files, resident records, relevant policies and interviewed management and staff. Based on the findings of the inspection the concerns reported to the RHRA were substantiated. The inspector found that medications for two residents were being administered inconsistently, and not in alignment with the directions of the prescriber. Additionally, the inspector found that the home had previously completed an internal investigation regarding this concern and failed to report the matter to the registrar despite it being substantiated through their investigation. Furthermore, the home failed to meet the requirements of their Zero Tolerance of Abuse and Neglect Policy for one of the involved residents by failing to notify the resident's substitute decision maker and physician, failing to provide immediate care to the resident, and failing to develop a follow-up plan for resident safety. Lastly, during the inspection the inspector also noted medication had been administered for a resident however no record of administration was documented.

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.

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. 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 RHA s. 75. (1); Reporting certain matters to Registrar

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75. (1) A person who has reasonable grounds to suspect that any of the following has occurred or may occur shall immediately report the suspicion and the information upon which it is based to the Registrar:

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

s. 75. (1), para. 1

1. Improper or incompetent treatment or care of a resident that resulted in harm or a risk of harm to the resident.

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 29.; Administration of drugs or other substances

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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,

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

s. 29. (b)

(b) no drug is administered by the licensee or the staff to the resident in the home except in accordance with the directions for use specified by the person who prescribed the drug for the resident;

The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 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;

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
Kate Fish	December 10, 2025