

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

Inspection Information	
<b>Date of Inspection: February 19, 2026</b>	<b>Name of Inspector: Melanie Leslie</b>
<b>Inspection Type: Responsive Inspection – Mandatory Report</b>	
<b>Licensee: ACC-002470 - Chartwell Master Care Corporation</b>	
<b>Retirement Home: The Sumach by Chartwell</b>	
<b>License Number: T0555</b>	

#### 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-8547-Improper or Incompetent Treatment or Care****RHRA Inspector Findings**

A report was made to RHRA which included allegations relating to missed services provided to a resident as outlined in the home's care home information package and resident's plan of care. As part of the inspection in response to the report, the inspector reviewed records relating to the resident, and interviewed relevant individuals. The inspector confirmed that the Licensee failed to ensure that staff were providing housekeeping services as prescribed in the resident plan of care.

**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 #2: CON-8548-Complaints procedure****RHRA Inspector Findings**

As part of this allegation, the inspector reviewed the Licensee's complaints log and noted that a recent complaint did not have compliant written record. Specifically, the record of the complaint did not include the dates which responses were provided to the complainant, actions taken by the home in response to the complaint, descriptions of the responses, as well as the responses made in turn by the complainant.

In addition, the inspector followed up on previous non-compliance with this area of the legislation and found the home hadn't recorded the date the complaint was received and every date in which a response was made to the complainant. The Licensee failed to ensure that staff complied with their complaints procedure, and that their written record of a complaint included all the required information 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.

**Concern #3: CON-8808-Emergency Plan****RHRA Inspector Findings**

The inspector followed up with non-compliance from a previous inspection in the area of emergency plans and found that the home was still not compliant with testing for situations involving violent outbursts, loss of essential services, a missing resident, and pandemic/epidemic emergencies had not been completed annually. The Licensee failed to ensure that testing was done annually as required. Furthermore, the inspector found that the testing for situations involving full building evacuations had not been completed. The Licensee failed to ensure that a full evacuation was done every 2 years 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 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. 62. (10); Compliance with plan****s. 62. (10); Compliance with plan**

62. (10) The licensee shall ensure that the care services that the licensee provides to the resident are set out in the plan of care and are provided to the resident in accordance with the plan and the prescribed requirements, if any.

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

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. 3**

3. For those complaints that cannot be investigated and resolved within 10 business days, an acknowledgement of receipt of the complaint shall be provided within 10 business days of receipt of the complaint, including the date by which the complainant can reasonably expect a resolution, and a follow-up response that complies with paragraph 4 shall be provided as soon as possible in the circumstances.

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

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

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

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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.

**The Licensee failed to comply with the O. Reg. 166/11 s. 24. (5); Emergency plan, general**

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24. (5) The licensee shall,

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

**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), (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), (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), (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. 24. (5), (b)**

(b) at least once every two years, conduct a planned evacuation of the retirement home;

**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 <i>Melanie Leslie</i>	Date March 20, 2026
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