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Rapport d'inspection en vertu de la Loi de 2007 sur les foyers de soins de longue durée

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Aug 31, 2021	2021_848748_0009	010068-21, 010582-21, 011039-21, 011512-21	Critical Incident System

Licensee/Titulaire de permis

Grace Villa Limited
284 Central Avenue London ON N6B 2C8

Long-Term Care Home/Foyer de soins de longue durée

Grace Villa Nursing Home
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Name of Inspector(s)/Nom de l'inspecteur ou des inspecteurs

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Inspection Summary/Résumé de l'inspection

The purpose of this inspection was to conduct a Critical Incident System inspection.

This inspection was conducted on the following date(s): July 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, August 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 2021. July 30, Aug 9, and 10, were completed off-site.

The following intakes were completed during this Critical Incident System (CIS) Inspection:

Log #010068-21, was related to an allegation of staff to resident physical abuse.
Log #010582-21, was related to a fall resulting in injury.
Log #011039-21, was related to a fall resulting in injury.
Log #011512-21, was related to a fall resulting in injury.

This inspection was conducted concurrently with Complaint Inspection #2021_848748_0008.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) spoke with residents, the Executive Director (ED), interim Executive Director, Associate Executive Director, Director of Clinical Services (DOC), Associate Directors of Clinical Services (ADOC), Employee Services Coordinator, Director of Environmental Services, Enivronmental Service Workers, Laundry Aide, Cook, Dietary Aides, Registered Nurses (RN), Registered Practical Nurses (RPN), and Personal Support Workers (PSW).

During the course of the inspection, the inspector also observed resident and staff interactions, and reviewed clinical health records, relevant home policies and procedures, and other pertinent documents. The inspector also completed a tour of the home and an Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) checklist; and a Safe and Secure Inspection Protocol to review cooling requirements.

The following Inspection Protocols were used during this inspection:

Falls Prevention
Food Quality
Infection Prevention and Control
Personal Support Services
Prevention of Abuse, Neglect and Retaliation
Safe and Secure Home
Sufficient Staffing

During the course of this inspection, Non-Compliances were issued.

- **3 WN(s)**
- **1 VPC(s)**
- **0 CO(s)**
- **0 DR(s)**
- **0 WAO(s)**

NON-COMPLIANCE / NON - RESPECT DES EXIGENCES	
Legend WN – Written Notification VPC – Voluntary Plan of Correction DR – Director Referral CO – Compliance Order WAO – Work and Activity Order	Légende WN – Avis écrit VPC – Plan de redressement volontaire DR – Aiguillage au directeur CO – Ordre de conformité WAO – Ordres : travaux et activités
Non-compliance with requirements under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007 (LTCHA) was found. (a requirement under the LTCHA includes the requirements contained in the items listed in the definition of "requirement under this Act" in subsection 2(1) of the LTCHA). The following constitutes written notification of non-compliance under paragraph 1 of section 152 of the LTCHA.	Le non-respect des exigences de la Loi de 2007 sur les foyers de soins de longue durée (LFSLD) a été constaté. (une exigence de la loi comprend les exigences qui font partie des éléments énumérés dans la définition de « exigence prévue par la présente loi », au paragraphe 2(1) de la LFSLD. Ce qui suit constitue un avis écrit de non-respect aux termes du paragraphe 1 de l'article 152 de la LFSLD.

WN #1: The Licensee has failed to comply with O.Reg 79/10, s. 36. Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that staff use safe transferring and positioning devices or techniques when assisting residents. O. Reg. 79/10, s. 36.

Findings/Faits saillants :

1. The licensee has failed to ensure that staff used safe transferring and positioning devices when assisting a resident to be transferred off the floor after a fall.

A resident sustained a fall and after the initial assessment completed by the nurse, three staff lifted the resident manually off the floor. The home's program titled "Zero Lift and Transfer" stated that at no time should a resident be lifted manually to move from one location to another. This was confirmed by registered staff and the DOC.

Using unsafe transferring of residents from the floor after a fall can lead to further injury.

Sources: CI report number 2741-000014-21; home's Nursing-Zero Lift and Transfer Program; progress notes; interviews with RPN #120, #121 and DOC. [s. 36.]

Additional Required Actions:

VPC - pursuant to the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007, S.O. 2007, c.8, s.152(2) the licensee is hereby requested to prepare a written plan of correction for achieving compliance to ensure that staff use safe transferring and positioning devices or techniques when assisting residents, to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #2: The Licensee has failed to comply with LTCHA, 2007 S.O. 2007, c.8, s. 3. Residents' Bill of Rights

Specifically failed to comply with the following:

s. 3. (1) Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that the following rights of residents are fully respected and promoted:
1. Every resident has the right to be treated with courtesy and respect and in a way that fully recognizes the resident's individuality and respects the resident's dignity. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
2. Every resident has the right to be protected from abuse. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
3. Every resident has the right not to be neglected by the licensee or staff. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
4. Every resident has the right to be properly sheltered, fed, clothed, groomed and cared for in a manner consistent with his or her needs. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
5. Every resident has the right to live in a safe and clean environment. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

6. Every resident has the right to exercise the rights of a citizen. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
7. Every resident has the right to be told who is responsible for and who is providing the resident's direct care. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
8. Every resident has the right to be afforded privacy in treatment and in caring for his or her personal needs. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
9. Every resident has the right to have his or her participation in decision-making respected. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
10. Every resident has the right to keep and display personal possessions, pictures and furnishings in his or her room subject to safety requirements and the rights of other residents. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
11. Every resident has the right to,
i. participate fully in the development, implementation, review and revision of his or her plan of care,
ii. give or refuse consent to any treatment, care or services for which his or her consent is required by law and to be informed of the consequences of giving or refusing consent,
iii. participate fully in making any decision concerning any aspect of his or her care, including any decision concerning his or her admission, discharge or transfer to or from a long-term care home or a secure unit and to obtain an independent opinion with regard to any of those matters, and
iv. have his or her personal health information within the meaning of the Personal Health Information Protection Act, 2004 kept confidential in accordance with that Act, and to have access to his or her records of personal health information, including his or her plan of care, in accordance with that Act. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
12. Every resident has the right to receive care and assistance towards independence based on a restorative care philosophy to maximize independence to the greatest extent possible. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
13. Every resident has the right not to be restrained, except in the limited circumstances provided for under this Act and subject to the requirements provided for under this Act. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
14. Every resident has the right to communicate in confidence, receive visitors of his or her choice and consult in private with any person without interference. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
15. Every resident who is dying or who is very ill has the right to have family and friends present 24 hours per day. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).
16. Every resident has the right to designate a person to receive information concerning any transfer or any hospitalization of the resident and to have that person receive that information immediately. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

17. Every resident has the right to raise concerns or recommend changes in policies and services on behalf of himself or herself or others to the following persons and organizations without interference and without fear of coercion, discrimination or reprisal, whether directed at the resident or anyone else,

i. the Residents' Council,

ii. the Family Council,

iii. the licensee, and, if the licensee is a corporation, the directors and officers of the corporation, and, in the case of a home approved under Part VIII, a member of the committee of management for the home under section 132 or of the board of management for the home under section 125 or 129,

iv. staff members,

v. government officials,

vi. any other person inside or outside the long-term care home. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

18. Every resident has the right to form friendships and relationships and to participate in the life of the long-term care home. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

19. Every resident has the right to have his or her lifestyle and choices respected. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

20. Every resident has the right to participate in the Residents' Council. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

21. Every resident has the right to meet privately with his or her spouse or another person in a room that assures privacy. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

22. Every resident has the right to share a room with another resident according to their mutual wishes, if appropriate accommodation is available. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

23. Every resident has the right to pursue social, cultural, religious, spiritual and other interests, to develop his or her potential and to be given reasonable assistance by the licensee to pursue these interests and to develop his or her potential. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

24. Every resident has the right to be informed in writing of any law, rule or policy affecting services provided to the resident and of the procedures for initiating complaints. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

25. Every resident has the right to manage his or her own financial affairs unless the resident lacks the legal capacity to do so. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

26. Every resident has the right to be given access to protected outdoor areas in order to enjoy outdoor activity unless the physical setting makes this impossible. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

27. Every resident has the right to have any friend, family member, or other person of importance to the resident attend any meeting with the licensee or the staff of

the home. 2007, c. 8, s. 3 (1).

Findings/Faits saillants :

1. The licensee failed to ensure that a resident's right to be treated with courtesy and respect and dignity was respected and promoted.

A Critical Incident System (CIS) report was submitted to the Director for an incident of alleged physical abuse towards a resident. Two PSWs witnessed PSW #111 hit resident #004 while care was being provided. The resident was cognitively impaired and did not react to the incident and did not sustain any injury or pain as a result.

The DOC confirmed that the PSW did not receive training on the home's prevention of abuse and neglect policy and the Resident's Bill of Rights.

Sources: CI number 2741-000013-21; home's investigation notes; progress notes; interviews with PSW #111, PSW #112 and the DOC. [s. 3. (1)]

WN #3: The Licensee has failed to comply with LTCHA, 2007 S.O. 2007, c.8, s. 76. Training

Specifically failed to comply with the following:

s. 76. (2) Every licensee shall ensure that no person mentioned in subsection (1) performs their responsibilities before receiving training in the areas mentioned below:
1. The Residents' Bill of Rights. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
2. The long-term care home's mission statement. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
3. The long-term care home's policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
4. The duty under section 24 to make mandatory reports. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
5. The protections afforded by section 26. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
6. The long-term care home's policy to minimize the restraining of residents. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
7. Fire prevention and safety. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
8. Emergency and evacuation procedures. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
9. Infection prevention and control. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
10. All Acts, regulations, policies of the Ministry and similar documents, including policies of the licensee, that are relevant to the person's responsibilities. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).
11. Any other areas provided for in the regulations. 2007, c. 8, s. 76. (2).

Findings/Faits saillants :

1. The licensee has failed to ensure that all staff in the home have received orientation training prior to performing their responsibilities on long term care home’s policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents.

A Critical Incident System (CIS) report was submitted to the Director for an incident of alleged physical abuse towards a resident. During the COVID-19 pandemic, urgent amendments have been made to the Regulation under the LTCHA to help protect the residents, streamline LTC home operations, and support staffing capacity, specifically related to timing of training requirements and orientation for new LTC staff. Training must have been provided within one week of the staff member beginning to perform their responsibilities on the Resident’s Bill of Rights and the LTC home’s policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents.

Interview with PSW #111 who was employed in the home through an agency identified that the PSW did not receive orientation training on the home’s abuse and neglect policy prior to performing their responsibilities. The DOC stated that they were not able to find any documentation that would indicate that this employee received training on their abuse and neglect policy prior to performing their duties in the home.

Not providing necessary training on the home's policy related to abuse and neglect of residents placed residents at risk.

Sources: CI number 2741-000013-21; home's investigation notes; interviews with PSW #111 and DOC. [s. 76. (2) 3.]

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Signature of Inspector(s)/Signature de l’inspecteur ou des inspecteurs

Original report signed by the inspector.