



Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

Ministère de la Santé et des Soins de longue durée

Inspection Report under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007

Rapport d'inspection prévue le Loi de 2007 les foyers de soins de longue

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Licensee/Titulaire de permis

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
2201 ST. DAVID'S ROAD, THOROLD, ON, L2V-4T7

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

LINHAVEN
403 Ontario Street, St. Catharines, ON, L2N-1L5

Name of Inspector(s)/Nom de l'inspecteur ou des inspecteurs

GILLIAN HUNTER (130)

Inspection Summary/Résumé de l'inspection

The purpose of this inspection was to conduct a Complaint inspection.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) spoke with The Administrator, Food Services Manager, registered staff, personal support workers, dietary staff and residents.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) interviewed staff, interviewed residents, observed meal service and reviewed council minutes.

The following Inspection Protocols were used during this inspection:

Accommodation Services - Maintenance

Food Quality

Reporting and Complaints

Findings of Non-Compliance were found during this inspection.

NON-COMPLIANCE / NON-RESPECT DES EXIGENCES

Legend	Legendé
WN – Written Notification	WN – Avis écrit
VPC – Voluntary Plan of Correction	VPC – Plan de redressement volontaire
DR – Director Referral	DR – Aiguillage au directeur
CO – Compliance Order	CO – Ordre de conformité
WAO – Work and Activity Order	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.)	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.)
The following constitutes written notification of non-compliance under paragraph 1 of section 152 of the LTCHA.	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. 73. Dining and snack service
Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

s. 73. (1) Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that the home has a dining and snack service that includes, at a minimum, the following elements:

1. Communication of the seven-day and daily menus to residents.
2. Review, subject to compliance with subsection 71 (6), of meal and snack times by the Residents' Council.
3. Meal service in a congregate dining setting unless a resident's assessed needs indicate otherwise.
4. Monitoring of all residents during meals.
5. A process to ensure that food service workers and other staff assisting residents are aware of the residents' diets, special needs and preferences.
6. Food and fluids being served at a temperature that is both safe and palatable to the residents.
7. Sufficient time for every resident to eat at his or her own pace.
8. Course by course service of meals for each resident, unless otherwise indicated by the resident or by the resident's assessed needs.
9. Providing residents with any eating aids, assistive devices, personal assistance and encouragement required to safely eat and drink as comfortably and independently as possible.
10. Proper techniques to assist residents with eating, including safe positioning of residents who require assistance.
11. Appropriate furnishings and equipment in resident dining areas, including comfortable dining room chairs and dining room tables at an appropriate height to meet the needs of all residents and appropriate seating for staff who are assisting residents to eat. O. Reg. 79/10, s. 73 (1).

Findings/Faits saillants :

1. Food and fluids are not served at a temperature that is both safe and palatable to the residents. The "Linhaven Resident/Dietary Services Meeting Minutes" indicate that on May 13, 2011 and on July 29, 2011 residents brought forward concerns that tea and coffee was poured too early on Secord unit, usually before residents were seated and therefore the beverage was lukewarm when the residents arrived in the dining room. Interviews held with 4 residents on Brock unit during this inspection at the lunch meal confirmed tea and coffee served on this unit is lukewarm and not palatable.

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 foods and fluids are served at a temperature that is both safe and palatable to the residents., to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #2: The Licensee has failed to comply with O.Reg 79/10, s. 90. Maintenance services
Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

s. 90. (2) The licensee shall ensure that procedures are developed and implemented to ensure that,

- (a) electrical and non-electrical equipment, including mechanical lifts, are kept in good repair, and maintained and cleaned at a level that meets manufacturer specifications, at a minimum;
- (b) all equipment, devices, assistive aids and positioning aids in the home are kept in good repair, excluding the residents' personal aids or equipment;
- (c) heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems are cleaned and in good state of repair and inspected at least every six months by a certified individual, and that documentation is kept of the inspection;
- (d) all plumbing fixtures, toilets, sinks, grab bars and washroom fixtures and accessories are maintained and kept free of corrosion and cracks;
- (e) gas or electric fireplaces and heat generating equipment other than the heating system referred to in clause (c) are inspected by a qualified individual at least annually, and that documentation is kept of the inspection;
- (f) hot water boilers and hot water holding tanks are serviced at least annually, and that documentation is kept of the service;
- (g) the temperature of the water serving all bathtubs, showers, and hand basins used by residents does not exceed 49 degrees Celsius, and is controlled by a device, inaccessible to residents, that regulates the temperature;
- (h) immediate action is taken to reduce the water temperature in the event that it exceeds 49 degrees Celsius;
- (i) the temperature of the hot water serving all bathtubs and showers used by residents is maintained at a temperature of at least 40 degrees Celsius;
- (j) if the home is using a computerized system to monitor the water temperature, the system is checked daily to ensure that it is in good working order; and
- (k) if the home is not using a computerized system to monitor the water temperature, the water temperature is monitored once per shift in random locations where residents have access to hot water. O. Reg. 79/10, s. 90 (2).

Findings/Faits saillants :

1. The licensee has not ensured that procedures are developed and implemented to ensure that the hot water temperature serving all bathtubs and showers used by residents is maintained at a temperature of at least 40 degrees Celsius. Documentation reviewed, staff interviewed and resident statements indicate that the home did not have hot water available over the course of several days from July 31 to August 4, 2011. Water temperatures recorded on July 31, August 2, 3, 4, 2011 verified water temperatures ranged from 22.5 - 30.7 degrees Celsius. Action was not taken until August 4, 2011 to repair a failed recirculation pump.

Additional Required Actions:

IPC - 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 the hot water temperature serving all bathtubs and showers used by residents is maintained at a temperature of at least 40 degrees Celsius., to be implemented voluntarily.

Issued on this 21st day of October, 2011



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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Greene (Holtis)".