

#### Ministry of Long-Term Care

Long-Term Care Operations Division Long-Term Care Inspections Branch

#### **North District**

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	<b>Original Public Report</b>
Report Issue Date: January 24, 2024	
Inspection Number: 2024-1603-0001	
Inspection Type:	
Critical Incident	
Licensee: Board of Management of the District of Kenora	
Long Term Care Home and City: Princess Court, Dryden	
Lead Inspector	Inspector Digital Signature
Christopher Amonson (721027)	
Additional Inspector(s)	

### **INSPECTION SUMMARY**

The inspection occurred onsite on the following date(s): January 9 - 11, 2024

The following intake(s) were inspected:

• One intake related to an unexpected death of a resident.

The following Inspection Protocols were used during this inspection:

Safe and Secure Home Infection Prevention and Control



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## **INSPECTION RESULTS**

### COMPLIANCE ORDER CO #001 Windows

NC #001 Compliance Order pursuant to FLTCA, 2021, s. 154 (1) 2.

#### Non-compliance with: O. Reg. 246/22, s. 19

Windows

s. 19. Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that every window in the home that opens to the outdoors and is accessible to residents has a screen and cannot be opened more than 15 centimetres.

## The inspector is ordering the licensee to comply with a Compliance Order [FLTCA, 2021, s. 155 (1) (a)]:

The licensee shall:

 Develop a documented process to ensure that windows in the home are regularly inspected and if required, maintenance completed for the window(s).
a) This process must include how documented audits will be regularly completed to ensure all windows in the home that open to the outside and are accessible to residents cannot be opened more than 15 centimeters.

#### Grounds

The licensee failed to ensure that a window in the home could not be opened more than 15 centimeters (cm).

#### **Rationale and Summary**

The Environmental Services Manager (ESM) and Director of Care (DOC) confirmed that a window in the home did not have the proper mechanism in place to prevent the window from being opened more than 15 cm at the time of a significant incident.



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The home also acknowledged that a documented process for maintaining the safety of windows did not exist and no audit of windows in the home had been conducted prior to the incident.

**Sources:** Residents health records; the LTC home's window audit; observations conducted by Inspector #721027 for windows in the LTC home; and interviews with staff, ESM and DOC. [721027]

This order must be complied with by February 29, 2024



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### **REVIEW/APPEAL INFORMATION**

**TAKE NOTICE**The Licensee has the right to request a review by the Director of this (these) Order(s) and/or this Notice of Administrative Penalty (AMP) in accordance with section 169 of the Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 (Act). The licensee can request that the Director stay this (these) Order(s) pending the review. If a licensee requests a review of an AMP, the requirement to pay is stayed until the disposition of the review.

Note: Under the Act, a re-inspection fee is not subject to a review by the Director or an appeal to the Health Services Appeal and Review Board (HSARB). The request for review by the Director must be made in writing and be served on the Director within 28 days from the day the order or AMP was served on the licensee.

The written request for review must include:

(a) the portions of the order or AMP in respect of which the review is requested;(b) any submissions that the licensee wishes the Director to consider; and(c) an address for service for the licensee.

The written request for review must be served personally, by registered mail, email or commercial courier upon:

#### Director

c/o Appeals Coordinator Long-Term Care Inspections Branch Ministry of Long-Term Care 438 University Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> floor Toronto, ON, M7A 1N3



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e-mail: MLTC.AppealsCoordinator@ontario.ca

If service is made by:

(a) registered mail, is deemed to be made on the fifth day after the day of mailing(b) email, is deemed to be made on the following day, if the document was served after 4 p.m.

(c) commercial courier, is deemed to be made on the second business day after the commercial courier received the document

If the licensee is not served with a copy of the Director's decision within 28 days of receipt of the licensee's request for review, this(these) Order(s) is(are) and/or this AMP is deemed to be confirmed by the Director and, for the purposes of an appeal to HSARB, the Director is deemed to have served the licensee with a copy of that decision on the expiry of the 28-day period.

Pursuant to s. 170 of the Act, the licensee has the right to appeal any of the following to HSARB:

(a) An order made by the Director under sections 155 to 159 of the Act.

(b) An AMP issued by the Director under section 158 of the Act.

(c) The Director's review decision, issued under section 169 of the Act, with respect to an inspector's compliance order (s. 155) or AMP (s. 158).

HSARB is an independent tribunal not connected with the Ministry. They are established by legislation to review matters concerning health care services. If the licensee decides to request an appeal, the licensee must give a written notice of appeal within 28 days from the day the licensee was served with a copy of the order, AMP or Director's decision that is being appealed from. The appeal notice must be given to both HSARB and the Director:



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#### Health Services Appeal and Review Board

Attention Registrar 151 Bloor Street West, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, ON, M5S 1S4

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Upon receipt, the HSARB will acknowledge your notice of appeal and will provide instructions regarding the appeal and hearing process. A licensee may learn more about the HSARB on the website <u>www.hsarb.on.ca</u>.