



**Ministry of Health and  
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**Inspection Report under  
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Homes Act, 2007**

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<b>Report Date(s) / Date(s) du apport</b>	<b>Inspection No / No de l'inspection</b>	<b>Log # / Registre no</b>	<b>Type of Inspection / Genre d'inspection</b>
Nov 10, 2015	2015_260521_0051	025534-15	Complaint

**Licensee/Titulaire de permis**

The Corporations of the City of Stratford, The County of Perth and The Town of St. Mary's  
643 West Gore Street STRATFORD ON N5A 1L4

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

SPRUCE LODGE HOME FOR THE AGED  
643 WEST GORE STREET STRATFORD ON N5A 1L4

**Name of Inspector(s)/Nom de l'inspecteur ou des inspecteurs**  
REBECCA DEWITTE (521)

**Inspection Summary/Résumé de l'inspection**



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

**This inspection was conducted on the following date(s): November 5, 6, 2015**

**This inspection was completed concurrently with Resident Quality Inspection #2015\_260521\_0050 / 029450-15.**

**This complaint was related to resident care.**

**During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) spoke with the Director of Resident Care, the Clinical Resource Nurse a Registered Nurse and a Personal Support Worker.**

**The following Inspection Protocols were used during this inspection:**

**Personal Support Services**

**Prevention of Abuse, Neglect and Retaliation**

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

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



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**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

**Legendé**

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).

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 LTCHA, 2007 S.O. 2007, c.8, s. 20.  
Policy to promote zero tolerance**

**Specifically failed to comply with the following:**

**s. 20. (1) Without in any way restricting the generality of the duty provided for in section 19, every licensee shall ensure that there is in place a written policy to promote zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents, and shall ensure that the policy is complied with. 2007, c. 8, s. 20 (1).**

**Findings/Faits saillants :**



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1. The licensee has failed to ensure that there is a written policy that promotes zero tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents and that it is complied with.

A Resident reported a complaint of rude treatment by a staff member to the action line at the Ministry of Health.

A record review revealed a documented note in the resident medical record stating that the resident had reported to the staff a concern of “rough handling”.

A review of policy – Zero Tolerance of Abuse and Neglect #RCM1.38 page 5/13 revealed the staff was to notify the Registered Nurse on duty immediately.

An interview with the Clinical Resource Nurse revealed the staff failed to report the complaint to the Registered Nurse on duty as per the Zero Tolerance of Abuse and Neglect as the Clinical Resource Nurse had not been made aware of the complaint by the staff on that date. The interview confirmed the staff failed to comply with the Zero Tolerance of Abuse and Neglect Policy. [s. 20. (1)]

***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 there is a written policy that promotes zero  
tolerance of abuse and neglect of residents and that it is complied with, to be  
implemented voluntarily.***

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**Issued on this 12th day of November, 2015**

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



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**Original report signed by the inspector.**