

Inspection Report under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007 Ministére de la Santé et des Soins de longue durée

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| 2012_069170_0016                  | Critical Incident                        |
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Long-Term Care Home/Foyer de soins de longue durée

SUNNYSIDE HOME 247 FRANKLIN STREET NORTH, KITCHENER, ON, N2A-1Y5

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 inspection.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) spoke with the Administrator Resident Care, Registered Nurses, Registered Practical Nurses, Personal Support Workers and Resident.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) reviewed residents' records, observed residents, reviewed restraint records, observed documentation on white board at nursing station, reviewed applicable policies and procedures, observed elevator area, observed entrance/exit area of home, reviewed two residents' records related to restraint use,

The inspections related to: Log # L-000094-12 and Log # L-000356-12

The following Inspection Protocols were used during this inspection:

**Falls Prevention** 

Findings of Non-Compliance were found during this inspection.

NON-COMPLIANCE / NON-RESPECT DES EXIGENCES



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| Legend   | Legendé  |
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| CO – Compliance Order  | WN – Avis écrit<br>VPC – Plan de redressement volontaire<br>DR – Aiguillage au directeur<br>CO – Ordre de conformité<br>WAO – Ordres : travaux et activités  |
| Homes Act, 2007 (LTCHA) was found. (A requirement under the LTCHA includes the requirements contained in the items listed in | Le non-respect des exigences de la Loi de 2007 sur les foyers de<br>soins de longue durée (LFSLD) a été constaté. (Une exigence de la<br>loi comprend les exigences qui font partie des éléments énumérés<br>dans la définition de « exigence prévue par la présente loi », au<br>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<br>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. 3. Residents' Bill of Rights



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Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

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.

2. Every resident has the right to be protected from abuse.

3. Every resident has the right not to be neglected by the licensee or staff.

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.

5. Every resident has the right to live in a safe and clean environment.

6. Every resident has the right to exercise the rights of a citizen.

7. Every resident has the right to be told who is responsible for and who is providing the resident's direct care.

8. Every resident has the right to be afforded privacy in treatment and in caring for his or her personal needs.

9. Every resident has the right to have his or her participation in decision-making respected.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

15. Every resident who is dying or who is very ill has the right to have family and friends present 24 hours per day.

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.

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.

18. Every resident has the right to form friendships and relationships and to participate in the life of the long-term care home.

19. Every resident has the right to have his or her lifestyle and choices respected.

20. Every resident has the right to participate in the Residents' Council.

21. Every resident has the right to meet privately with his or her spouse or another person in a room that assures privacy.



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22. Every resident has the right to share a room with another resident according to their mutual wishes, if appropriate accommodation is available.

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.

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.

25. Every resident has the right to manage his or her own financial affairs unless the resident lacks the legal capacity to do so.

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.

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 of a long-term care home had not ensured an identified resident received care in a manner consistent with the resident's needs as follows:

i) The resident fell and the initial assessment indicated there was no injury. On the following shift the resident was assessed which revealed signs and symptoms indicative of a potential injury, impaired mobility and pain. The registered staff member on this shift did not notify a physician of the change in the resident's condition. Interventions the following day indicated the resident had sustained an injury.

[Reference: LTCHA, 2007, S.O. 2007, c.8, s.3(1)4]

## 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 registered staff appropriately identify the need to inform a resident's physician of an adverse change in the resident's condition, to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #2: The Licensee has failed to comply with LTCHA, 2007 S.O. 2007, c.8, s. 31. Restraining by physical devices

Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

s. 31. (2) The restraining of a resident by a physical device may be included in a resident's plan of care only if all of the following are satisfied:

1. There is a significant risk that the resident or another person would suffer serious bodily harm if the resident were not restrained.

2. Alternatives to restraining the resident have been considered, and tried where appropriate, but would not be, or have not been, effective to address the risk referred to in paragraph 1.

3. The method of restraining is reasonable, in light of the resident's physical and mental condition and personal history, and is the least restrictive of such reasonable methods that would be effective to address the risk referred to in paragraph 1.

4. A physician, registered nurse in the extended class or other person provided for in the regulations has ordered or approved the restraining.

5. The restraining of the resident has been consented to by the resident or, if the resident is incapable, a substitute decision-maker of the resident with authority to give that consent.

6. The plan of care provides for everything required under subsection (3). 2007, c. 8, s. 31 (2).

Findings/Faits saillants :



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1. The licensee had not ensured the following:

i) A physician, registered nurse in the extended class or other person provided for in the regulations did not provide an order or approval for a specific type of restraint for an identified resident. [Reference: LTCHA, 2007, S.O. 2007, c.8, s.31(2)4]

ii) A consent for use of a specific type of restraint for an identified resident was not obtained. [LTCHA, 2007, S.O. 2007, c.8, s.31(2)5]

# 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 required orders and consent for restraint use are obtained and documented, to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #3: The Licensee has failed to comply with O.Reg 79/10, s. 9. Doors in a home Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

s. 9. (1) Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that the following rules are complied with:

1. All doors leading to stairways and the outside of the home other than doors leading to secure outside areas that preclude exit by a resident, including balconies and terraces, or doors that residents do not have access to must be,

i. kept closed and locked,

ii.equipped with a door access control system that is kept on at all times, and

iii.equipped with an audible door alarm that allows calls to be cancelled only at the point of activation and, A. is connected to the resident-staff communication and response system, or

B. is connected to an audio visual enunciator that is connected to the nurses' station nearest to the door and has a manual reset switch at each door.

1.1. All doors leading to secure outside areas that preclude exit by a resident, including balconies and terraces, must be equipped with locks to restrict unsupervised access to those areas by residents.

2. All doors leading to non-residential areas must be equipped with locks to restrict unsupervised access to those areas by residents.

3. Any locks on bedrooms, washrooms, toilet or shower rooms must be designed and maintained so they can be readily released from the outside in an emergency.

4. All alarms for doors leading to the outside must be connected to a back-up power supply, unless the home is not served by a generator, in which case the staff of the home shall monitor the doors leading to the outside in accordance with the procedures set out in the home's emergency plans. O. Reg. 79/10, s. 9. (1).

Findings/Faits saillants :



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1. The licensee of a long-term care home had not ensured that the following rules were complied with as follows:

All doors leading to stairways and the outside of the home other than doors leading to secure outside areas that preclude exit by a resident, including balconies and terraces, or doors that residents do not have access to must be,

ii. equipped with a door access control system that is kept on at all times

The front main entrance of the home does not have an approved door access control system. The Long-Term Care Facility Design Manual, dated May 1999, describes a door access control system as a system that prevents unauthorized entering or exiting from the long-term care facility. The home was built and approved according to this design manual in 2004. During the inspection it was identified that the front doors, which lead to an outside area that is not secured, are not able to keep all residents from exiting the long term care home. Although the doors are magnetically lockable, the locking system can be easily by-passed from the inside by pushing a release mechanism next to the door in the shape of a red button. The key pad currently located next to the doors, can also be used to by pass the magnetic lock, but is primarily used to de-activate the wander guard system that was installed several years after the home opened. This system was installed to keep all residents from leaving the home unsupervised and is therefore not an acceptable door access control system. [Reference: O.Reg. 79/10, s. 9(1)1.ii]

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 the entrance/exit doors at the home's main entrance has an approved access control system that prevents unauthorized entering or exiting from the long-term care facility, to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #4: The Licensee has failed to comply with LTCHA, 2007 S.O. 2007, c.8, s. 5. Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that the home is a safe and secure environment for its residents. 2007, c. 8, s. 5.

## Findings/Faits saillants :

1. The licensee had not ensured that the home was a safe and secure environment for an identified resident as follows:

A resident who was known to have cognitive impairment eloped from a resident home area (house), exited the home and sustained an injury:

i) The home was unaware of the resident's elopement until notified by the hospital.

ii) A staff member, on interview, indicated the resident had "a few times" stated a desire to go home and required redirecting from the elevator area and reorienting to place. At an hourly resident safety check staff could not locate the resident on the home area. Staff stated they assumed the resident was visiting on another home area however did not verify this.

## 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 appropriate monitoring of residents who are confused and wander including verification of the resident's location on hourly resident checks, to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #5: The Licensee has failed to comply with O.Reg 79/10, s. 49. Falls prevention and management



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Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

s. 49. (1) The falls prevention and management program must, at a minimum, provide for strategies to reduce or mitigate falls, including the monitoring of residents, the review of residents' drug regimes, the implementation of restorative care approaches and the use of equipment, supplies, devices and assistive aids. O. Reg. 79/10, s. 49 (1).

s. 49. (2) Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that when a resident has fallen, the resident is assessed and that where the condition or circumstances of the resident require, a post-fall assessment is conducted using a clinically appropriate assessment instrument that is specifically designed for falls. O. Reg. 79/10, s. 49 (2).

# Findings/Faits saillants :

1. The licensee had not ensured that when an identified resident fell that the resident was assessed and that strategies to reduce or mitigate falls were considered and/or implemented as follows:

i) The resident fell on four occasions in one month. An admission falls Risk Assessment was completed however, there was no documentation to indicate a post-fall assessment of the resident was conducted, after each fall, using a clinically appropriate assessment instrument that is specifically designed for falls. [Reference: O.Reg. 79/10, s.49(2)]

ii) Documentation indicated specific actions of the resident placed the resident at risk of falling. The admission falls Risk Assessment identified the resident at risk for falls. There was no documentation to indicate strategies to reduce or mitigate the resident's falls had been considered and/or implemented other than use of a wheelchair. The resident sustained an injury post the fourth fall.

iii) The home's Falls-Prevention Program policy number: f-02, date of last review: January 24, 2011 directed to "conduct an interdisciplinary Falls Prevention meeting for residents with 2 or more falls within a month to further identify causes". The home was unable to provide documentation to support completion of this requirement. [Reference: O.Reg. 79/10, s.49(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 post-fall assessments are completed, strategies to reduce or mitigate fall risks are considered and compliance with the home's Falls-Prevention Program including documentation, to be implemented voluntarily.

WN #6: The Licensee has failed to comply with LTCHA, 2007 S.O. 2007, c.8, s. 6. Plan of care Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:

s. 6. (10) The licensee shall ensure that the resident is reassessed and the plan of care reviewed and revised at least every six months and at any other time when,

(a) a goal in the plan is met;

(b) the resident's care needs change or care set out in the plan is no longer necessary; or

(c) care set out in the plan has not been effective. 2007, c. 8, s. 6 (10).

Findings/Faits saillants :



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1. The licensee did not ensure that the plan of care was revised when an identified resident's care needs changed as follows:

i) The resident's care plan had been updated, post the elopement, however did not include the resident's potential to wander and elopement risk. During the inspection the resident was observed to be independent for mobility resulting in the potential to access the elevator and to be at future risk for elopement. [Reference: LTCHA, 2007, S.O. 2007, c.8, s.6(10)(b)]

# 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 the care plan identifies all behaviours and related areas of risk for the resident, to be implemented voluntarily.

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