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Original Public Report

Report Issue Date: November 15, 2022

Inspection Number: 2022-1250-0003

Inspection Type:

Other Complaint

Critical Incident System

Licensee: Bruyère Continuing Care Inc.

Long Term Care Home and City: Élisabeth-Bruyère Residence, Ottawa

Lead Inspector

Julienne NgoNloga (502)

Inspector Digital Signature

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Additional Inspector(s)

Pamela Finnikin (720492)

INSPECTION SUMMARY

The Inspection occurred on the following date(s):

September 28, 2022

September 29, 2022

September 30, 2022

October 3, 2022

October 4, 2022

October 5, 2022

The following intake(s) were inspected:

Intake: #00002765 related to housekeeping and responsive behaviours.

- Intake: #00005025-2022_1250_0001, CO #001, LTCH, 2007, s. 6 (4) related to plan of care.
- Intake: #00006015-(CI: 2759-000021-2) related to unexpected resident's death.
- Intake: #00006642-(CI: 2759-000014-22) related to allegation of neglect and improper care.



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

Resident Care and Support Services
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Infection Prevention and Control
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Responsive Behaviours
Staffing, Training and Care Standards
Falls Prevention and Management

INSPECTION RESULTS

WRITTEN NOTIFICATION: IPAC

NC #001 Written Notification pursuant to FLTCA, 2021, s. 154 (1) 1.

Non-compliance with: O.Reg. 246/22, s. 102 (7) 11.

The licensee has failed to ensure that there is in place a hand hygiene program in accordance with any standard or protocol issued by the Director under subsection (2) which includes, at a minimum, access to hand hygiene agents at point-of-care.

Specifically, the IPAC Standard 10.1 direct the licensee to that the hand hygiene program includes access to hand hygiene agents, including 70-90% Alcohol-Based Hand Rub (ABHR). These agents shall be easily accessible at both point-of care and in other resident and common areas, and any staff providing direct resident care must have immediate access to 70-90% ABHR.

During meal service in one of the dining rooms, the inspector observed staff used Purell Alcohol Hand Sanitizing (ABHR) Wipes to assist residents preform hand hygiene before meal. The label of the ABHR wipes indicated at 62% Ethyl Alcohol.

Staff members indicated that they used Purell Hand sanitizing wipes to assist the residents, who cannot rub their hands using liquid, ABHR perform hand hygiene before meal.

The home's Infection Prevention and Control lead stated that Hand sanitizing wipes were implemented to assist the resident with cognitively impairment perform hand hygiene before meals.



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By using less than 70% Alcohol-Based Hand Sanitizing Wipes, the residents were at risk of cross-contamination.

Sources:

Inspector's observation. Review of Purell Hand sanitizing wipes label. Interviews with IPAC lead and other relevant staff. [502]

WRITTEN NOTIFICATION: Falls Prevention

NC #002 Written Notification pursuant to FLTCA, 2021, s. 154 (1) 1.

Non-compliance with: O.Reg. 246/22, s. 53 (1) 1.

The licensee has failed to comply with written policies related to the falls prevention and management program for resident #002.

In accordance with O. Reg 246/22 s. 53 (1) 1. the licensee is required to have policies as part of the falls prevention and management program and that they are complied with.

Specifically, the licensee did not comply with their policy titled, "Falls Prevention, Long-Term Care #CLIN CARE 33 LTC" Revised May 2021, which is part of the falls prevention and management program for resident #002.

Review of the licensee's policy titled Falls Prevention, Long-Term Care #CLIN CARE 33 LTC" Revised May 2021, states the following: For all unwitnessed falls, the registered nursing staff immediately completes and documents a clinical assessment of the resident, including a Neurological Assessment in Point Click Care (PCC). The post-fall Neurological Assessment will be completed as follow: during post fall assessment, 30 minutes after initial assessment, every shift for 48 hours or per physician recommendations.

A review of a resident's progress notes in PCC indicated that they had fifteen unwitnessed falls for a period of eight months.

A review of the resident's assessments in PCC indicated that of these unwitnessed falls, eleven did not have appropriate follow up assessments completed as per policy after the initial neurological assessment was completed.

On four occasions, the resident had unwitnessed falls with no neurological assessment initiated in PCC. A registered Nurse confirmed that there were no neurological assessments initiated for these dates in PCC.

By not completing the post fall assessment, potential changes in resident's health status could not be



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assessed.

Sources: Interview with RN, assessments and progress notes in PCC, and policy as noted above. [720492]