



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

GILMORE LODGE
50 Gilmore Road, Fort Erie, ON, L2A-2M1

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

BERNADETTE SUSNIK (120)

Inspection Summary/Résumé de l'inspection

The purpose of this inspection was to conduct an Other inspection.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) spoke with the administrator, director of care, maintenance manager, corporate environmental services supervisor, dietary staff regarding their maintenance program and door security system.

During the course of the inspection, the inspector(s) visually observed each dishwasher in each of the four serveries, checked all perimeter doors in the home, reviewed maintenance records and policies and procedures.

The following Inspection Protocols were used during this inspection:

Accommodation Services - Maintenance

Safe and Secure Home

Findings of Non-Compliance were found during this inspection.

NON-COMPLIANCE / NON-RESPECT DES EXIGENCES

Legend	Legendé
WN – Written Notification VPC – Voluntary Plan of Correction DR – Director Referral CO – Compliance Order WAO – Work and Activity Order	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. 15. Accommodation services  
Specifically failed to comply with the following subsections:**

- s. 15. (2) Every licensee of a long-term care home shall ensure that,**  
**(a) the home, furnishings and equipment are kept clean and sanitary;**  
**(b) each resident's linen and personal clothing is collected, sorted, cleaned and delivered; and**  
**(c) the home, furnishings and equipment are maintained in a safe condition and in a good state of repair. 2007, c. 8, s. 15 (2).**

**Findings/Faits saillants :**

- [LTCHA,2007,c.8 s.15(2)(c)] The flooring material under the Moyer Diebel dishwasher in the Bertie home area servery is not in a good state of repair. Water damaged tiles are evident with a black substance oozing out between the tiles. The flooring material in the servery of the Bridgeburg home area is split and therefore open to water seepage. The flooring material under the Moyer Diebel dishwasher in the Wintemute home area servery is cracked and no longer tight-fitting and therefore open to water seepage.
- The self closing device on the door leading into the Wintemute home area is not in a good state of repair. When the door is released, the self closing device does not engage and the door slams shut.
- A dishwasher in the Bridgeburg home area servery was noted to be out of service during the inspection. The dishwasher was documented by dietary staff to have been leaking on October 9, 2011. A repair technician assessed the machine on October 11, 2011. It was determined that the hot water booster was cracked and needed to be replaced. Interviews with dietary staff revealed that they continued to use the leaking dishwasher until taken out of service on October 19th. The expected date of repair was not known due to availability of parts.

**WN #2: 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).

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**Findings/Faits saillants :**

[O. Reg. 79/10, s.9(1)1.i.] All perimeter doors, excluding the front foyer doors and those doors in the secure home area known as Wintemuth cannot be locked. Most of these doors are equipped with an alarm only and lead to unenclosed and unsecure outdoor areas.

**Additional Required Actions:**

*CO # - 001 will be served on the licensee. Refer to the "Order(s) of the Inspector".*

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**WN #3: 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 :**

[O.Reg. 79/10, s.90)(2)(a)] The licensee did not ensure that the procedures developed for the maintenance and cleaning of dishwashers was implemented to ensure that they are kept in good repair, and maintained and cleaned at a level that meets manufacturer specifications, at a minimum.

The home established a policy and procedure titled "Dish Machines" PM100435 for the maintenance and cleaning of all dishwashers in the home. The manufacturer's requirements with respect to the frequency of cleaning and maintenance is daily and monthly, depending on the components. The home's procedure describes that an inspection of the machines take place quarterly and cleaning take place after each use. It was observed that the top of each machine was coated in a heavy layer of dust and dirt. The home's policy also requires that all work performed on the machines be documented. No documentation could be provided at the time of inspection to indicate what preventative maintenance work was done on what machines.

Issued on this 19th day of December, 2011



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

*B. Susnil*



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Pursuant to section 153 and/or  
section 154 of the *Long-Term Care  
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<b>Inspection No. / No de l'inspection :</b>	2011_072120_0030
<b>Type of Inspection / Genre d'inspection:</b>	Other
<b>Date of Inspection / Date de l'inspection :</b>	Oct 25, 2011
<b>Licensee / Titulaire de permis :</b>	THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA 2201 ST. DAVID'S ROAD, THOROLD, ON, L2V-4T7
<b>LTC Home / Foyer de SLD :</b>	GILMORE LODGE 50 Gilmore Road, Fort Erie, ON, L2A-2M1
<b>Name of Administrator / Nom de l'administratrice ou de l'administrateur :</b>	BEV GOODMAN

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To THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA, you are hereby required to comply with the following order(s) by the date(s) set out below:



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**Order(s) of the Inspector**  
Pursuant to section 153 and/or  
section 154 of the *Long-Term Care  
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**Order # /**  
**Ordre no :** 001      **Order Type /**  
**Genre d'ordre :** Compliance Orders, s. 153. (1) (b)

**Pursuant to / Aux termes de :**

O.Reg 79/10, 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).

**Order / Ordre :**

Prepare and submit a plan to the Inspector by December 31, 2011 which describes which doors will be upgraded to include a door access control system, how the system will be kept on at all times, how the system will notify staff that the system has been breached and whether or not it will be connected to the resident-staff communication and response system or an audio visual enunciator that is connected to the nurse's station nearest to the door.

Until such time that the plan is fully implemented, describe how residents are being monitored to prevent unsupervised egress.

Implement the plan once approved by the inspector in accordance with the time lines agreed upon.

The written plan shall be submitted to Bernadette Susnik, Long-Term Care Homes Inspector, Ministry of Health and Long -Term Care, Performance Improvement and Compliance Branch, 119 King St. W., 11th floor, Hamilton, ON, L8P 4Y7.

**Grounds / Motifs :**

1. All perimeter doors in the home, excluding the front foyer doors and those doors in the secure home area known as Wintemuth cannot be locked. These doors are equipped with an alarm only and they all lead to unenclosed and unsecure outdoor areas. (120)



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This order must be complied with by /  
Vous devez vous conformer à cet ordre d'ici le : Dec 31, 2011





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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 to request that the Director stay this (these) Order(s) in accordance with section 163 of the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007.

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 was served on the Licensee.

The written request for review must include,

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

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

Director  
c/o Appeals Coordinator  
Performance Improvement and Compliance Branch  
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care  
55 St. Clair Avenue West  
Suite 800, 8th Floor  
Toronto, ON M4V 2Y2  
Fax: 416-327-7603

When service is made by registered mail, it is deemed to be made on the fifth day after the day of mailing and when service is made by fax, it is deemed to be made on the first business day after the day the fax is sent. If the Licensee is not served with written notice of the Director's decision within 28 days of receipt of the Licensee's request for review, this(these) Order(s) is(are) deemed to be confirmed by the Director and the Licensee is deemed to have been served with a copy of that decision on the expiry of the 28 day period.

The Licensee has the right to appeal the Director's decision on a request for review of an Inspector's Order(s) to the Health Services Appeal and Review Board (HSARB) in accordance with section 164 of the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007. The 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 a hearing, the Licensee must, within 28 days of being served with the notice of the Director's decision, give a written notice of appeal to both:

Health Services Appeal and Review Board and the

Director

Attention Registrar  
151 Bloor Street West  
9th Floor  
Toronto, ON M5S 2T5

Director  
c/o Appeals Coordinator  
Performance Improvement and Compliance Branch  
Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care  
55 St. Clair Avenue West  
Suite 800, 8th Floor  
Toronto, ON M4V 2Y2  
Fax: 416-327-7603

Upon receipt, the HSARB will acknowledge your notice of appeal and will provide instructions regarding the appeal process. The Licensee may learn more about the HSARB on the website [www.hsarb.on.ca](http://www.hsarb.on.ca).



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**RENSEIGNEMENTS SUR LE RÉEXAMEN/L'APPEL**

**PRENDRE AVIS**

En vertu de l'article 163 de la Loi de 2007 sur les foyers de soins de longue durée, le titulaire de permis peut demander au directeur de réexaminer l'ordre ou les ordres qu'il a donné et d'en suspendre l'exécution.

La demande de réexamen doit être présentée par écrit et est signifiée au directeur dans les 28 jours qui suivent la signification de l'ordre au titulaire de permis.

La demande de réexamen doit contenir ce qui suit :

- a) les parties de l'ordre qui font l'objet de la demande de réexamen;
- b) les observations que le titulaire de permis souhaite que le directeur examine;
- c) l'adresse du titulaire de permis aux fins de signification.

La demande écrite est signifiée en personne ou envoyée par courrier recommandé ou par télécopieur au :

Directeur  
a/s Coordinateur des appels  
Direction de l'amélioration de la performance et de la conformité  
Ministère de la Santé et des Soins de longue durée  
55, avenue St. Clair Ouest  
8<sup>e</sup> étage, bureau 800  
Toronto (Ontario) M4V 2Y2  
Télécopieur : 416-327-7603

Les demandes envoyées par courrier recommandé sont réputées avoir été signifiées le cinquième jour suivant l'envoi et, en cas de transmission par télécopieur, la signification est réputée faite le jour ouvrable suivant l'envoi. Si le titulaire de permis ne reçoit pas d'avis écrit de la décision du directeur dans les 28 jours suivant la signification de la demande de réexamen, l'ordre ou les ordres sont réputés confirmés par le directeur. Dans ce cas, le titulaire de permis est réputé avoir reçu une copie de la décision avant l'expiration du délai de 28 jours.

En vertu de l'article 164 de la Loi de 2007 sur les foyers de soins de longue durée, le titulaire de permis a le droit d'interjeter appel, auprès de la Commission d'appel et de révision des services de santé, de la décision rendue par le directeur au sujet d'une demande de réexamen d'un ordre ou d'ordres donnés par un inspecteur. La Commission est un tribunal indépendant du ministère. Il a été établi en vertu de la loi et il a pour mandat de trancher des litiges concernant les services de santé. Le titulaire de permis qui décide de demander une audience doit, dans les 28 jours qui suivent celui où lui a été signifié l'avis de décision du directeur, faire parvenir un avis d'appel écrit aux deux endroits suivants :

À l'attention du registraire  
Commission d'appel et de révision des services de santé  
151, rue Bloor Ouest, 9<sup>e</sup> étage  
Toronto (Ontario) M5S 2T5

Directeur  
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Télécopieur : 416-327-7603

La Commission accusera réception des avis d'appel et transmettra des instructions sur la façon de procéder pour interjeter appel. Les titulaires de permis peuvent se renseigner sur la Commission d'appel et de révision des services de santé en consultant son site Web, au [www.hsarb.on.ca](http://www.hsarb.on.ca).

**Issued on this 19th day of December, 2011**

**Signature of Inspector /  
Signature de l'inspecteur :**

**Name of Inspector /  
Nom de l'inspecteur :**

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**Service Area Office /  
Bureau régional de services :**

Hamilton Service Area Office