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**Amica Westboro Park
491 Richmond Road
613-728-9274**

Resident Handbook

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Dear Resident,

Welcome to Amica Westboro Park! We look forward to serving you and planning our days around your needs, preferences and interests. We're here to do whatever we can to make you and your family feel at home.

This Resident Handbook has been designed to provide you with information on our services and amenities, as well as to share our policies related to your new home. If you have any questions, please speak with me or any of the other managers at the residence at your convenience.

Thank you for choosing **Amica Westboro Park** for this new chapter in your life.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Kingsbury
General Manager

Meet the Leadership Team

Stephanie Kingsbury – General Manager

Stephanie is responsible for the overall operations of Amica Westboro Park. **Stephanie** is here to assist with any of your questions or concerns, and She welcomes any suggestions you may have to improve the services we provide at **Amica Westboro Park**.

Director of Wellness

Our professional wellness teams deliver considerate, respectful and personalized care tailored to your wishes and schedule. We learn your needs and routines to provide exceptional support based on your preferences in the privacy of your suite. And, if your needs or preferences change, so will our care. **The Director of Wellness** is responsible for all aspects of resident assessments, for the implementation and coordination of activities of daily living, and for providing assistance with medications and/or other assisted living services provided by our Wellness team members. Our Wellness team is available 24 hours a day to support you. If you have any health concerns or questions regarding your wellness services, please speak to **the Director of Wellness**.

Jessica Rankin - Resident Services Coordinator (RSC)

Works with Wellness, Life Enrichment, and other Team Members to create and oversee the PWP for each IL and AL resident - Hires and schedules Team Members to ensure full staffing of AL and MC neighbourhoods in line with resident needs/ staffing calculations - Hires, manages, leads, and develops RCPs assigned to the AL and MC neighbourhoods - This is a “people intensive” role where a substantial part of the job is maintaining strong relationships with AL and MC residents/ family, SDMs Team Members, Volunteers, and other departments in the community.

Isha Joshi – Community Operations Manager

Isha oversees the Concierge team and Housekeeping team, as well as billing. **Isha** is also a backup to **Stephanie** should they be unavailable. If you have questions

regarding finances, concierge, housekeeping or operations in general, please speak to **Isha**.

Rohit Jacob - Director of Culinary Services

Our Red Seal chefs prepare a delicious daily selection of fresh, seasonal, dietitian-approved dishes to suit your appetite. **Rohit** is responsible for all aspects of the food service. We pride ourselves in offering meal service from 7:00am-7:00pm, bistro service 24/7 as well as special menus for private family functions. If you have questions or concerns about food service, including any dietary needs or special requests, please feel free to contact

Scott Seguin - Maintenance Coordinator

Scott is responsible for repairs and maintenance of our building. His/her knowledge of emergency protocols, preventative and preventative maintenance help keep our residence running smoothly. If you require maintenance support, please ask the Concierge to log a request for service.

Janique – Life Enrichment Coordinator

Janique is responsible for the planning and implementation of our social activities program. This program provides a variety of activities satisfying the spiritual, social, physical, emotional and intellectual needs of all residents. For more information on programs and committee opportunities, please speak to **Janique**. They look forward to partnering with you as pursue your passions and discover new ones.

Tait Bosik and Mandy Shaw – Community Relations Directors

Tait and Mandy are responsible for providing information that assist our future residents in making an informed decision to become part of the community. A friendly tour shows prospective residents all the comforts of “home” and introduces them to our helpful team members along the way.

Minimum Staffing Levels

- At Amica, professionally trained team members are on-site 24 hours per day.
- We are on call for emergencies 24 hours per day.

- A minimum of two team members are in the building at all times. This includes a Wellness team member and Concierge team member.

Amica Westboro Park team members include Registered practical nurses or Registered nurses, personal support workers, and team members from dining life enrichment, community relations, concierge, maintenance and housekeeping.

Please note: Although we can appreciate your wish to say a special thank you to someone who has provided exceptional service, we have a policy that does not allow anyone in our organization to accept money or gifts from you or your family. If you wish to recognize exceptional service, we encourage you to fill out a feedback form found at concierge desk by the front entrance.

SECTION 1: General Information

Hours of Operation

Our residence is staffed 24 hours a day. For your security, the building is locked each evening at 7:00pm and equipped with exterior security cameras at main entrance and exit doors. During the spring and summer season, the building is locked each evening at 8:00pm. To gain entrance after this time, please use the doorbell adjacent to the front door. A team member will respond as soon as possible.

Concierge

The concierge will relay messages to your guests, or notify you of any special messages, parcels or items to be picked up. There is a concierge on duty daily from 7:00am to 11:00pm. If you are unsure of who to direct a question to, the concierge will be happy to assist you.

Sign Out Book

For your security and safety, there is a sign out book located at the concierge desk. Please use this book to sign in and out when you are leaving and returning to the residence. There is a separate sign in/out book for visitors; please ensure they use it. If you are going to be absent from the residence for several hours or days, please inform the concierge of your absence and expected return.

Lost and Found

If you have lost or found something in or around the residence, please notify the concierge. We will record the information, and endeavour to notify the rightful owner or return your lost item.

Smoking

Our residence is a non-smoking environment. There is no smoking inside the residence or anywhere on the premises. This includes electronic smoking, vaping, and cannabis. Residents may possess, store, consume and dispose of cannabis in the same way they would alcohol consumables. Residents will follow the smoking policy restrictions for inhalation forms of cannabis. Residents may not grow cannabis or process cannabis on the premises.

The utilization of medical cannabis is permitted as per the Medical Cannabis policy. Medical cannabis refers to cannabis acquired or produced for medicinal purposes in alignment with Part 14 of the Cannabis Regulations.

Mail

Mail is delivered to your own individual mailbox in the mail room on the ground floor from Monday to Friday by Canada Post. You will be given a mail key when you move in. Please check your mailbox on a regular basis. The mail usually arrives by 11:00am. Parcels too large for your mailbox will be left at the concierge desk for pick up or delivery depending on size. Outgoing mail is required to be at Concierge by 10:00am Monday to Friday. To assist in the prompt delivery of your mail, please be sure that your correspondence has our correct return address.

Example:

Mr. and /or Mrs. Bob Smith
Suite 101
Amica Westboro Park
491 Richmond Road
K2A 1GA

Deliveries and Service Calls

Please ensure you are available to handle delivery or service calls personally. For your safety and security, we are not able to provide entrance to your suite without your written authorization. If you are expecting a delivery or service call, please notify the concierge so that we can better direct that person.

Information Board

A resident information board is located near the concierge desk by the front entrance. On this board you will find information on upcoming events and outings, the day's menu and other important notices.

Resident Vacations

For your security and safety, if you are planning to be away overnight, please advise the wellness team and the concierge of the estimated time of your departure and your expected return. If the wellness team is dispensing your medications, please allow for 48 hours to prepare your medication for your time away. Please notify CareRx Pharmacy at least 48 hours prior to the leave of absence, if additional doses are needed, to ensure sufficient time is given to prepare the medications.

Resident and Community Meetings

This is a key opportunity to stay informed on the latest residence news and events, and to voice your questions and comments. Meetings are organized by the residence and held monthly. The date will be noted in your monthly newsletter.

Resident Council

Residents are welcome to form a Residents' Council. The Council is made up solely by residents and is an avenue for you to discuss innovations, issues or concerns, which can then be brought to the attention of management. Members of the Residents' Council are posted on the information board. Please feel free to contact any of these members.

Currently there is no Residents' Council at Amica Westboro Park although regular meetings for Residents are organized by managers at the residence. These meetings provide a forum for residents to learn about upcoming events and raise any issues or concerns they wish.

Parking

Our residence provides one parking space per suite for residents who specifically request one. The parking spots are reserved on a first come first served basis. The residence accepts no liability for damage or theft of your vehicle.

Telephone

Residents may install phone lines with their provider in their suites.

Television

Our Cable provider is Rogers

Keys and Fobs

You will be provided with your suite key and fob on your move-in day. For your safety and security, the suite key and fob are not to be duplicated and the use of a key and fob by anyone other than the resident assigned to the suite is prohibited. While we will always respect your privacy, a team member may access your suite to carry out their duties or if there is a concern for your safety, such as illness.

Newspapers

Residents are responsible for arranging delivery of newspapers and will be billed directly by the publication. Newspapers can be delivered to the concierge for delivery to the resident suite.

Insurance

Residents are responsible for maintaining their own insurance coverage, including personal property, liability, automobile (if applicable), renters and other insurance coverage (including flood coverage in the event of water damage at **Amica Westboro Park** from an accident or omission by the resident) in adequate amounts.

We take every reasonable precaution to safeguard your possessions. However, we cannot assume responsibility for them. We recommend that you insure your possessions and obtain a safety deposit box at a chartered bank for bonds, securities, jewelry, etc., particularly when going on vacation. If you require assistance or have any questions, please contact the General Manager.

Noise

After 11:00 pm it is requested that residents keep music and TV on low volume. You may wish to consider an earphone accessory to aid you in hearing your TV when the volume is low.

Monthly Statement

The community operations manager prepares your monthly bill which includes your monthly fees and in-house charges. If you have any questions regarding your account, please contact them during normal business hours, Monday through Friday.

We encourage all monthly occupancy fees to be paid by automatic withdrawal, which allows you to have your monthly balance deducted directly from your bank account on the first day of each month. Automatic withdrawal is a more convenient and efficient method of paying your fees as it eliminates the need for you to issue a cheque monthly. You will receive your statement outlining your expenses the last week of each month. If you have a question or concern regarding your account, please see the Community Operations Manager or the General Manager.

Suite Accounts

In-house charges for in-suite dining unrelated to illness, guest meals, personal laundry, extra housekeeping, activities of daily living and medication administration assisted living services through the Wellness Department will be billed to your monthly suite account as outlined in your schedule of fees. If you transfer from one suite to another, a new residency agreement must be signed. If you have inquiries regarding your monthly statements, please contact our Community Operations Manager **Isha**.

Resident Files and Information Changes

Please notify the Community Operations Manager in writing of any changes to your confidential information. These include changes in the name, address or telephone number of your family, friends, or other persons currently listed in our files, including the name of any person who is authorized to pick up your mail or

enter your suite during your absence. It is important that this information stay current in case of an emergency.

The resident must designate one primary contact that will be used in urgent or emergency situations and ensure that this information is kept up to date.

Advance Directives

Please notify the Leadership team as to the existence and status of any “advance directives.” Advance directives can include a power of attorney for property, health care power of attorney, a living will, or other documents which legally appoint substitute decision makers and/or the amount, level or type of health care you wish to receive at a time when you can no longer communicate those decisions on your own behalf to a doctor or other health professional. It also includes documents in which you name another person who has the legal authority to make financial and/or health care decisions for you. If you have executed any such documents, or if you execute or amend or revoke any such documents during your term at the Residence, it is your responsibility and each applicable POA to advise Leadership, and to provide copies of such advance directives.

Resident Bill of Rights

The Resident Bill of Rights is displayed in a prominent place at the residence and included as an appendix in this handbook.

Amica and Community: The Amica Helping Hands Charity

The Amica Helping Hands Charity was established in 2003 by Amica residents and team members who wanted to deliver holiday comfort to at-risk seniors in their communities. This gesture of kindness has now grown into a national campaign across all Amica residences.

The charity’s holiday baskets include items such as a warm blanket, non-perishable food items and gift cards to a local pharmacy. Many times, even hand-knit items made by kind and caring resident volunteers. Each residence partners with not-for-profit organizations to distribute the baskets. Many times, these baskets are the **only** gift a senior in need may receive all year.

One basket recipient told us: “Thank you for making a wonderful difference in my life. You’ve given me a gift that lasts not only during the holidays, but for lifetime.”

Each year, in addition to the basket assemblies, many residents and team members also donate their time and talents to raise funds in support of the basket campaign and other community outreach programs serving seniors in need. The special events include bake sales, holiday bazaars, art shows, dance-a-thons and so much more.

The charity also receives large corporate sponsorships which further the reach of the charity via gift agreements with hospital foundations in both Ontario and British Columbia. These gift agreements have helped hundreds of marginalized seniors access essential health services.

If you are interested in learning more or wish to volunteer for the charity, please speak with your General Manager or life enrichment team.

Amica’s Respectful Community Commitment

We are committed to providing a safe, inclusive and welcoming community to all who live, visit, and work here. We thrive because of our unique differences, multi-cultural backgrounds, different ways of thinking and most importantly our shared commitment to our values of trust, compassion, excellence, teamwork and growth.

- We look for ways to connect – not exclude
- We encourage open-mindedness – not judgement
- We demonstrate respect and compassion - not prejudice
- We endeavour to be a community where everyone can belong – not one where they must change themselves to be accepted

To that end, we encourage everyone to speak up and report any actions that may be considered harassing, violent, offensive, unwelcome, bullying, discriminatory, and any behaviours/actions that contravene the Ontario and/or British Columbia Human Rights Code and other relevant legislation. These types of behaviours will

not be tolerated and should be reported to the General Manager. As a responsible employer and operator, it is our duty to investigate and address any incident in a prompt and efficient manner.

At Amica, we strive for mutual respect, demonstrating compassion for all, and simply practicing kindness towards one another. We value your assurance and engagement with our Respectful Community Commitment.

Weapons

For the safety and security of all Residents, guests and visitors, no Resident, guest or visitor may possess, store or transport any weapon (where weapons include restricted and nonrestricted firearms, knives other than those used for culinary purposes, explosives, chemical weapons, or any other device designed to harm or incapacitate) either in suite or in any common areas of the Residence. The prohibition applies to all types of weapons, whether they are classified as restricted or nonrestricted under applicable laws.

SECTION 2: Amenities

All common area spaces are accessible for residents and their guests.

Patios, Balconies and Gardens

Our outdoor spaces are for your enjoyment. Patio furniture is available for use when weather permits. For everyone's enjoyment and safety please ensure that appropriate glass wear is used on the patio and that any litter is placed in appropriate containers.

If you are interested in gardening, please let one of our life enrichment coordinators know that you would like to join our gardening club.

Lounge Areas

Many comfortable sitting areas and lounges are located conveniently throughout the residence for your use. Use them for social events or for a friendly game of cards with your friends.

Hair Salon

The hair salon is located on the lower level by the main elevators and is managed by a private operator. Please book your appointment with the concierge.

Foot Care Nurse

A private business, owned and operated by a certified foot care nurse, provides foot care to our residents monthly. Appointments are booked through the concierge. Please check our monthly calendar for dates.

Aesthetician

Manicures and pedicures are managed by a private operator and available to residents monthly. Please check our calendar for dates and book your appointments through the salon or with the help of the concierge.

Library

The library is located on the 6th, with additional books available on 1st floor in the fireside lounge. The library includes hardcover books, paperbacks and a few current magazines. Residents are welcome to borrow any of the books to return within 3 to 4 weeks. Computer operation tips will be available as part of our education program. Please speak to one of our life enrichment coordinators to access these services.

The public library visits our residence on a regular basis. If you would like to listen to books on tape, read large print books, and/or prefer specific reading materials, let our life enrichment coordinators know so that arrangements can be made with the public library.

Emergency Response System

You have been provided with a pendant that can be worn as a necklace, on your wrist or on your belt. If you have an emergency, the signal will be carried to a wellness team member who will respond to your location. If you accidentally activate the pendant, please telephone the concierge immediately to note the error. The pendant is for emergencies only. For non-emergency requests, please telephone the concierge.

Activity Room

The activity rooms are located on the 1st and 2nd floors.

Chapel

The chapel services are held in the theatre, located on the 1st floor. We publish a listing of service times in the monthly calendar.

Games Room

The games room is located on the 1st floor.

Pool

The pool is located on the 1st floor. The pool is maintained year-round and kept at a comfortable swimming temperature. Amica Westboro Park's pool is open daily from 8am to 7pm. Changing facilities are available for your comfort and privacy. Residents are asked to remove their emergency pendant and sign out a designated pool pendant that is waterproof.

Home Theatre

The home theatre is located on the 1st floor.

Wellness Hub

The wellness hub is located on the 2nd floor. Wellness team members may not be present in the hub at all times due to their job duties. If you would like to speak to someone in the Department, please call **Concierge**. If it is an emergency and you require immediate assistance, please press your call pendant and a wellness team member will respond as quickly as possible.

SECTION 3: Privacy

Our Commitment to Privacy

We are committed to protecting the privacy of your personal health information and will maintain the security and confidentiality of this information. Our residence operates in keeping with the requirements of federal and provincial privacy laws.

Collection of Personal Health Information

We collect personal health information from you through the move-in process to assess suitability and capacity for placement and to enable us to provide you with the programs and services you require.

Sometimes, we may need to share information about you—for example, in an emergency, to ensure your safety, to meet legal requirements, or to work with trusted partners and service providers who help us deliver your care. These partners are held to the same high standards we follow to keep your personal information safe.

Examples of the type of information we collect include:

- your name and contact information;
- your health card number;
- facts about your health, health care history and the health care services you have received; and
- the identity of your health care providers and emergency contact(s).

Your Right to Limit the Use and Disclosure of Personal Health Information

You have the right to access this information and/or withhold disclosure of your personal health information. Should you wish to withhold consent to the release of your personal health information, you will be asked to sign the Withdrawal of Consent Form. This form will be kept in your health file.

If you have specific concerns or would like to limit the use or disclosure of personal health information about you, please contact the Director of Wellness or General Manager.

SECTION 4: Resident Policies

A. Visitor Policy

This Policy is posted at the concierge desk by the front entrance.

PURPOSE

Amica Westboro Park encourages visitors/invitees and wants to make families and friends feel at home. This Policy has been established for the comfort and safety of the residents and team members.

POLICY

All visitors/guests including private care providers must report to the concierge to sign-in (upon arriving) and sign-out (upon leaving). There is no restriction for visiting hours. Visitors/guests are expected to conduct themselves safely and, in a manner that is considerate to residents and team Members.

- For safety and security reasons, the main entrance is the only door to be used for entering and exiting the residence. If the main entrance is locked, please ring the doorbell for entry. Alternatively, the visitor may phone the resident they are visiting for entry. In this case, the resident will greet the visitor and ensure sign-in/out at the concierge desk.
- All visitors will agree to assist and maintain a healthy and safe environment, and will practice infection prevention and control measures by:
- Washing their hands (with hand sanitizer provided in the main entrance) upon entering and leaving the residence.
- Being free of infection or illness, and not visiting if they have experienced symptoms such as fever, cough, runny nose, sore throat, skin rash, vomiting or diarrhea within the last 48 hours.
- All visitors must respect the privacy of residents. Visitors should remain with the resident they are visiting and/or the approved site work location.
- Children accompanying visitors must be supervised by an adult at all times.
- Pets accompanying visitors must be leashed, in control and up to date on vaccinations. Pets are not permitted in the bistro or dining room. Please clean up after your pet.
- This residence is a non-smoking environment.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE AWARENESS

All visitors should acquaint themselves with the residence floor plan and emergency exits. This information is available at the concierge desk and is posted by the elevator. Monthly emergency drills are scheduled in the residence and notice is posted in the calendar and in the elevators. In the event of activation of emergency procedures, direction will be provided by team members.

Failure to follow this policy may result in the visitor being asked to leave and visiting access modified.

B. Zero Tolerance Abuse/Neglect

A resident should be free from abuse or neglect by team members, volunteers, visitors and other residents. Amica recognizes its responsibility to ensure that all residents are protected from abuse and neglect by anyone.

Our residence has a zero-tolerance policy with respect to abuse of any kind including, but not limited to, physical, sexual, emotional, verbal and/or financial abuse and neglect, by any person (e.g. team member to resident, family members/visitors/volunteers/resident to resident/team member contracted staff, agency staff, and resident-paid companions). All team members (including External Care Providers) are required to report any suspicion of incidents or allegations of neglect and/or abuse immediately to their manager, or other management member. All incidents and allegations will be investigated internally and reported to the appropriate regulatory body.

INVESTIGATING AND RESPONDING TO ALLEGED/SUSPECTED ABUSE OR NEGLECT

The first priority in any alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect is to deal with the immediate risk at hand and ensure safety of those affected. Following, the incident reporting protocols are initiated, and an internal investigation is started.

The General Manager (GM)/designate must ensure that the police are immediately notified in the following circumstances:

- If it is suspected that an alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect of a resident may constitute a criminal offence;
- The resident requests that the police be called; and/or
- Someone is armed with a weapon, and/or someone is threatening violence or there is a threat of significant harm to themselves or others.

NOTIFICATION:

The GM/designate will notify the resident, substitute decision maker (SDM - if applicable) and any other person specified by the resident:

i. **Immediately** upon the residence becoming aware of an alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect **that has resulted in a physical injury or pain to a resident or that causes distress to a resident that could potentially be detrimental to a resident's health or well-being or within 12 hours** upon the residence becoming aware of any other alleged, suspected or witnessed incident of abuse or neglect; and

ii. **Immediately** upon the conclusion of the investigation to report findings and actions taken where required.

REGULATORY REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

If the event of alleged, suspected or witnessed abuse and/or neglect the GM/designate must report it to the appropriate regulatory authorities Identified below.

Retirement Home Regulatory Authority (RHRA)

The following [form](#) may be mailed/faxed or emailed to:

Retirement Homes Regulatory Authority

Attention: Complaints Intake 55 York Street, Suite 700 Toronto, ON M5J 1R7

Fax: 1-855-631-0170

Phone: 1-855-275-7472

Email: info@rhra.ca

Additional reporting obligations may be required (e.g. Health Professional Regulatory College, Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee) depending on the nature and person involved.

FURTHER SUPPORT FOR THE RESIDENT:

The resident will be provided with appropriate resources to provide assistance and emergency numbers. At all times the resident's right to privacy and confidentiality will be respected. Action may include a coordinated response from a variety of services/agencies.

C. Concern and Complaint Policy

PURPOSE

Amica Westboro Park is committed to providing our residents, team members and visitors with a high level of service. This policy is intended to ensure that concerns, complaints and compliments raised by any of our stakeholders are responded to promptly, transparently and fairly in accordance with our residence's high standards.

POLICY

All concerns, complaints and compliments, whether written or verbal, regarding the care of a resident and/or operations of a residence are recorded, and the protocol within this policy outlines the process and timelines.

All concerns and/or complaints must be acknowledged within 48 hours and investigated and resolved within 10 business days. For those concerns/complaints that cannot be resolved within 10 business days, an acknowledgement of receipt of the complaint must be provided within the timeframe, including the date by which the complainant can reasonably expect a resolution, and a follow-up response. **Where there is an allegation of harm or risk of harm to one or more Residents, the investigation must be started *immediately*.**

PROCEDURE

Amica Westboro Park is pleased to offer you four different methods of raising any concerns, complaints or compliments you may have.

1. **Verbally:** Bring your concern, complaint and/or compliment to the manager or team member in charge. If s/he is not able to resolve your concern, please speak to **Stephanie Kingsbury**, General Manager at **613-728-9274** or any member of the **Amica Westboro Park** leadership team. Alternatively, you may contact the regional director of operations at **416-487-2020**.
2. **In Writing:** There are feedback forms titled, "Tell Us How We Are Doing" throughout the residence [**Resident Mail room, Concierge Desk**]. Please fill out a feedback form with your concern, complaint or compliment and insert the completed form in the box beside the forms.

- 3. Online:** Concerns, complaints and/or compliments can also be submitted online by visiting:

<https://amicafeedback.freshdesk.com/support/tickets/new>

If you are uncomfortable sharing your concern or complaint through the channels identified above or if the concern/complaint has not been resolved, you may contact the Ethics Line. The Ethics Line is available to all stakeholders of the company (e.g. team members, residents, families, visitors). This line is professionally and independently staffed, and callers are not required to identify themselves when making a report. The Ethics Line can be accessed in three ways:

Online: secure website at <http://www.clearviewconnects.com/>

Phone: toll-free number 1-844-223-7127

Mail: confidential post office box at:

P.O. Box 11017

Toronto, Ontario M1E 1N0

D. Whistle Blowing Protection Policy

PURPOSE

An important aspect of accountability and transparency is a mechanism to enable all stakeholders (e.g. team members, residents, volunteers and visitors) to report observations of ethical, criminal or professional violations (collectively, 'wrongdoings') and to ensure that an individual reporting such observations in good faith will not be subject to retaliation. This policy confirms our whistle blowing protection.

POLICY

Amica Westboro Park is strongly committed to maintaining an environment in which all stakeholders are respected and free to voice a concern or report a wrongdoing without fear of intimidation and/or retribution. It is impossible to list all possible wrongdoings. Some of the key observations to be reported include:

- Resident abuse;
- Criminal conduct;

- Fraud or misappropriation, or other questionable accounting practices;
- Failure to comply with legal or regulatory obligations;
- Failure to comply with, or efforts to circumvent, internal compliance policies or internal controls;
- Actions that endanger health and safety, or might cause environmental damage; and
- Actions designed to have the effect of concealing any of the above.

REPORTING A WRONGDOING

There will be no reprisals against any person making such a report or raising questions or concerns if that person is acting in good faith. This protection extends to any person who discloses information to a regulatory inspector/body, or who gives evidence in legal proceedings. The methods for reporting a violation are identified above in the Abuse/Neglect Policy and the Concern, Complaint and Compliment Policy.

E. Use of Motorized Scooters and Wheelchairs Policy

PURPOSE

To balance the resident's need for a motorized scooter or wheelchair with the safety of everyone else at **Amica Westboro Park** this policy has been established.

POLICY

Residents must exercise caution when using motorized scooters and wheelchairs and act in a manner which respects the health, safety and physical integrity of other residents, team members and visitors.

Due to fire and safety regulations, motorized scooters and wheelchairs cannot be stored in hallways and walkways when not in use. These devices can be stored in the resident's suite and/or the designated parking area at **Amica Westboro Park**.

Residents operating motorized scooters and wheelchairs assume all liability for injury, death or damage arising out of or related to the use of the motorized scooter or wheelchair.

F. Electrical Appliances/Equipment

Amica Westboro Park takes very seriously the safety of everyone in the residence. To ensure that residents' use of cooking and/or heating appliances is aligned to fire safety/protection principles, this policy has been established.

Residents wishing to bring their own cooking and/or heating appliances must consult with the maintenance coordinator to ensure these appliances are CSA-approved and in good working order. **Amica Westboro Park** reserves the right to inspect any appliances for safety reasons and may ask for them to be removed based on their age and/or condition. Items that not permitted include, heating blankets, hot plates, deep fryers, Halogen lamps and lights, and space heaters of any kind (unless provided by **Amica Westboro Park** Electric kettles are permitted but MUST have an automatic shut off switch. In all cases, residents are advised to exercise care and good judgment in the use of appliances and should never leave any cooking and/or heating appliance unattended while it is operating. The use of extension cords is discouraged, however if needed, they must not be run under carpets and must be only used in areas where there is sufficient air circulation to prevent overheating.

SECTION 5: Emergency Preparedness

You have been provided with an emergency pendant that is worn as a necklace. This pendant is waterproof, and we recommend it be worn always. If you have an emergency, pressing the button on the pendant will send a signal to the portable nursing phone. They will respond as quickly as possible. This pendant is used for emergencies only.

Some examples of medical emergencies are:

- Slip or fall
- Shortness of breath
- Sudden or worsening pain
- Dizziness

For non-emergency requests, please call the concierge desk or speak to one of the leadership team members.

Some examples of non-medical emergencies are:

- Unscheduled assistance
- Escorting
- Maintenance or service request
- In-suite dining
- Housekeeping
- Activities

A \$200.00 payment per pendant is required for loss or damage of the pendant. This charge will be invoiced to your suite on your next statement and is refundable upon leaving **Amica Westboro Park**.

Occasional power outages may occur due to circumstances beyond our control. We recommend each resident has a flashlight in this event.

Fire Safety

Please ensure that you are familiar with the location of fire extinguishers and your nearest emergency exit. Also take a moment to review the evacuation plan. While we do not like to consider the possibility of a fire, knowing this information can be extremely useful in the heightened circumstances of a real emergency. A couple of minutes invested in precautions means you will be better equipped to respond to an emergency. The information below describes the protocols for emergency response and general precautions that all residents should follow.

In conjunction with local authorities, **Amica Westboro Park** has prepared and maintains a Fire Safety Plan. The Fire Safety Plan and additional emergency plans are tested on a regular basis. Fire drills are conducted each month for the safety of residents, visitors and team members. Fire exits are clearly indicated within **Amica Westboro Park**. Please cooperate with the requests of Team Members during emergencies.

The external Fire Access route is a NO PARKING zone. Signs are posted clearly posted and the routes must be kept free to allow access by emergency vehicles.

Emergency Response – Residents and Visitors

IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE:

- Leave the fire area
- IMMEDIATELY sound the fire alarm by activating the nearest red alarm pull station

DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS

- Call the Fire Department. Dial 911. Tell them you are reporting a fire at: **613-728-9274**
491 Richmond Road
- At your discretion, attempt to control the fire with available fire equipment
- Close doors behind you, leave the building by the nearest safe exit

WHEN YOU HEAR THE ALARM:

- Leave the building immediately by the nearest safe exit
- Close doors behind you

DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS

- REMAIN CALM
- When you have reached the outside, move away from the building
- Call the Fire Department. Dial 911. Tell them you are reporting a fire at: **491 Richmond Road**
- Go to the designated assembly area

DO NOT GO BACK INTO THE BUILDING FOR ANY REASON

- The Fire Department will advise when it is safe to do so

THE DESIGNATED ASSEMBLY AREA FOR THIS BUILDING IS:

- Main entrance parking

FIRE PREVENTION

- **Amica Westboro Park** is a non-smoking residence
- Make sure that no one, including visitors, is smoking in the residence
- Be alert around electrical equipment. When electrical equipment is not working properly or if it gives off an unusual odor - often the first sign of a problem that could cause a fire - disconnect the equipment and call an appropriate maintenance contractor
- Promptly replace any electrical cord that is cracked or has a broken connection
- When using extension cords, protect them from damage: do not put them across doorways or any place where they will be stepped on or chafed. Check the amperage load specified by the manufacturer or the "listing laboratory", and do not exceed it. Do not plug one extension cord into another, and do not plug more than one extension cord into one outlet
- Keep all heat-producing appliances away from the wall and away from anything that might burn. Leave plenty of space for air to circulate around equipment that normally gives off heat
- Make sure all appliances in your area - such as coffee makers - are turned off when not in use. It's best to assign one person to make this check every day
- Do your part to keep storage areas, stairway landings and other out-of-way locations free of wastepaper, empty cartons, dirty rags and other material that could fuel a fire
- Report fire hazards to the Fire Safety Director

FIRE PREPAREDNESS

Know the location of the two exits closest to your area. Count the number of doors between you and each of those exits - in case you must escape through a darkened, smoke-filled corridor where you can't read the names on the doors.

- Learn where the nearest pull station is located and how to activate it
- Post the 9-1-1 Fire Department Emergency Number on your telephone
- Learn the sound of your building's fire alarm

During the annual fire drill which will be conducted by the Fire Safety Director, do the following:

- Review the basic IN CASE OF FIRE procedures posted in the corridors, and Evacuation Procedures
- Ensure you know who the Fire Safety Director and Deputies are, and how to contact them
- Read the other information provided in Occupant Fire Prevention, Preparedness & Control

Volunteer to be one of two designated persons who will assist a person requiring assistance.

FIRE EVACUATION

- While exiting, walk and do not run
- DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS
- Shut all doors behind you
- Alert those who have difficulty hearing that an emergency evacuation of the building is underway
- Proceed along corridors and through exits in a quiet and orderly manner
- Do not push or jostle
- Assist persons requiring assistance to reach the nearest safe exit:
 - Try to keep exits clear by permitting others to pass
 - It may be necessary to hold persons requiring assistance in or near the exit and wait for fire department assistance
 - If you must use an escape route where there is smoke, stay as low as possible. Crawling lets you breathe the cleaner air near the floor as you move toward the exit
 - Before you open a closed door, feel it with the back of your hand. If it is hot, leave it closed and use your alternate escape route. If it feels normal, brace your body against the door and open it a crack - be prepared to slam it shut if heat or smoke starts to rush in
 - If all exits are blocked by fire or smoke, enter a room preferably with an exterior window, and seal the cracks in the door with available materials to prevent smoke entering the room

- Phone 9-1-1 to report your situation and attract the attention of someone outside the building by any possible means
- When you have reached the outside of the building, move away from the exit allowing others behind you to emerge
- Do not attempt to drive your vehicle from the parking area
- Do not enter the building again until permitted by a fire department officer or the Fire Safety Director

Fire Safety – General Precautions

The fire system at **Amica Westboro Park** works in two stages. The first stage is an announcement over the speakers that a fire alarm has been initiated. We ask residents to remain where they are and remain calm listening for further directions to be announced over the speakers.

At Amica, your safety is our number one priority. Your building has been constructed with firewall separations **Amica Westboro Park** into safe compartments for our residents. **Amica Westboro Park** is equipped with state-of-the-art smoke detectors and fire sprinklers throughout the building. Your suite is fitted with a smoke alarm that will alert you of any danger.

Things to Remember when Evacuating Amica

- If you evacuate the building, assemble away from the building at the designated assembly point (i.e. main entry parking) and away from arriving fire equipment
- Do not re-enter the building until it is cleared by the Fire Department

Defend in Place Strategy

If you are unable to leave your suite because of fire or smoke in the hallways, follow these steps to Defend in Place:

- Each door has a seal, but you may want to place a wet, rolled up towels along the bottom of the suite door to keep smoke out of your suite
- If there is no fire by your suite window, open it and yell for help
- Phone 911 and give them your name and suite number

- Hang a towel or sheet out of your window to attract attention and to signal your location to the fire department

Horizontal Evacuation Procedure

For seniors with mobility problems, it is safer and easier to practice the Horizontal Evacuation Procedure.

- Moving away from the smoke keeps you further away from the fire and keeps you safe. Passing through the hallway fire doors and firewall provides you with extra protection from the fire. These walls keep residents safe while the fire department extinguishes the fire
- If a fire is located within **Amica Westboro Park**, staff will attend to each floor and provide instruction. It may be safe to remain in your suite or stay on your floor because the fire is within another area of the building. You may need to move into an adjoining area of the building, where you will pass through hallway fire doors towards safety
- Remember to not block open fire doors because they are a safe barrier between you and the fire

Stop, Drop, and Roll

In the unlikely event that your clothing catches fire, remind yourself of the Stop, Drop, and Roll technique.

- Stop: Stop where you are
- Drop: Lie flat on the ground
- Roll: Roll from side-to-side or back-to-front continuously until the fire is extinguished

Fire Drills

Fire drills will be run monthly to keep our residents and team members safe. These drills are designed to reinforce the correct procedures required to evacuate effectively.

All team members at **Amica Westboro Park** have completed a fire safety program that highlights best practices to improve and reinforce awareness.

You are encouraged to participate in the fire safety drills but are not required to. Prior to any comprehensive fire drill, residents will be notified and are expected to stay in their room unless specifically instructed otherwise.

Every year, **Amica Westboro Park** works in partnership with the local fire department to complete a fire drill. It is likely that you will be required to participate in this drill.

Flood/Water Damage Prevention

Upon the discovery of water leakage and or flooding, please notify an Amica Leader or Team Member as soon as possible within the building, Maintenance Coordinator (MC) or designate will locate the source and work to resolve the issue.

SECTION 6: Infection Prevention

Infection control is the practice by which **Amica Westboro Park** works to prevent and manage infections. Infection control principles are incorporated into all aspects of providing support services for you. Hand washing is the single best and most effective prevention against the spread of infection. To protect the spread of infections, team members wash their hands often. Residents and visitors are encouraged to do the same. Best practices include:

- Washing hands before you leave your suite and on return; and
- Using a paper towel to turn off the faucet.

Alcohol-based hand rub is located throughout our residence and may also be used to maintain good hand hygiene.

There are times when several residents may become ill with similar symptoms. This is called an outbreak. If an outbreak occurs, we collaborate with public health and take several steps to contain and reduce the spread of illness. You will be advised by means of a letter what measures we are taking. We would ask anyone visiting during an outbreak to visit you in your suite only and for shorter periods of time. Please remind them to use the hand sanitizer on entering the residence and again upon leaving. Family members and visitors should not visit when they have colds, fever or vomiting and diarrhea.

SECTION 7: Social Activities and Volunteering

Amica **Amica Westboro Park** offers a variety of customized life enrichment programs based on shared common interest and desires of each resident. To stay updated on events, you can review the monthly calendar, newsletter, and daily postings available throughout the residence. Please contact the concierge to sign up for all outings and special events as indicated in the calendar.

Our daily “in-house” programs are free of charge. Occasionally, outings and any other planned special events may have applicable fees. Please ensure you sign up promptly for these events to ensure you reserve your spot.

Exercise Classes

Our life enrichment teams are certified to facilitate daily exercise classes that promote overall well-being. You can review the variety of exercise offerings in our monthly calendar. This could include seated cardio, range of motion band exercises, drum fitness, yoga, etc. To ensure you are participating at a level you feel most comfortable, our life enrichment team will provide you with an orientation of our fitness center and overview of the fitness offerings available within our residence.

Spiritual and Religious Services

Monthly spiritual and religious services are provided at **Amica Westboro Park**. All service times will be indicated in the calendar. Should you have any questions, please connect with our life enrichment coordinator for additional information.

Volunteering

Amica Westboro Park encourages residents to get involved in the residence activities and volunteer opportunities. This could include residents’ council, welcome committee, etc. If you are interested in volunteering your time to sit on a committee or support a program, please reach out to your life enrichment coordinator.

SECTION 8: Transportation

Amica Westboro Park has a residence vehicle that supports a wide range of activities. In addition, the residence vehicle provides some transportation to local areas. You can find out more about transportation through concierge. Fees may apply for certain trips.

Public Transportation

Excellent public transportation is just a short distance from **Amica Westboro Park**. **Contact** the concierge to discuss your needs, or for family that may be coming in by public transportation.

Taxis

To avoid confusion when ordering a taxi to pick you up at **Amica Westboro Park**, please give the dispatcher your name and address, including the actual name of the residence. Please try to be in the lobby for its arrival.

SECTION 9: Housekeeping/Laundry Services

Housekeeping

Housekeeping service is provided for you on a weekly basis; this includes the changing of your sheets, re-making bed and laundering your towels and linens. If you require additional housekeeping services, please check the a la carte menu or do not hesitate to contact the community operations manager for rates and/or further details.

Laundry

For personal laundry, washing machines and dryers are located on the third and fourth floor or in your suite. If you require assistance, please contact Housekeeping by calling the concierge. You are required to provide your own laundry detergent. However, neither coins nor tokens are needed to operate the machines. Please note the washing and drying times – the cycles take approximately 30 minutes – please remove your clothing promptly. An iron and ironing board are also located in the laundry lounge for your convenience. In consideration of your fellow residents, we request that you only use the laundry machines from 7:00am to 7:00pm.

Dry Cleaning and Mending Services

A local dry cleaner will pick up your cleaning once a week. Please have all your articles in a bag and labelled with your name and suite number and at the concierge desk by 7am the day of pick up. If mending services are required, please ensure a note is included and you are aware of the costs. Payment would be the resident's responsibility – directly with the provider.

Garbage Collection and Recycling

Garbage and recycling will be picked up by your housekeeper once a week on your cleaning day. At other times, you may place your garbage and/or recycling in the container located in the laundry room areas.

Maintenance and Repairs

If anything in your suite requires repairs, or if you notice something is broken in the building, please call the concierge, or the maintenance coordinator directly. We will do our best to assist you in getting the repairs made as soon as possible. A nominal charge may apply for some repairs. Please note we only replace light bulbs that are a part of your suite fixtures.

Carpet Cleaning

We can spot clean small spills in your suite. There may be a fee for this service depending on the circumstances. If you need a large area or your entire carpet cleaned, we would be happy to give you the names of some reputable outside carpet cleaning services at your own cost. If you require any of these services, please leave your request with the concierge. We will record your request and it will be looked after as soon as possible.

Suite Temperature

The temperature in each suite is individually controlled for your comfort. If you are unsure about the operation of your thermostat, please contact the concierge.

Window Treatments

If you wish to replace the window treatments with your personal ones, please obtain prior permission from general manager. Replacement window treatments must appear neutral or an off-white color the same as the existing treatment when viewed from the outside.

Damage to Suites

Residents are responsible for repair costs for damage over and above those of normal “wear and tear”.

SECTION 10: Culinary Services

Hours and Seating

Our dining rooms are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for your dining convenience. There is no assigned seating, so you are free to choose where you would like to sit for each meal. Should you require dining outside of that timeframe to honour religious or cultural traditions, let your director of culinary services know and we would be happy to work with you.

Dining Dress Code

The dining areas are considered as your home and there is no dress code. You will find that most people prefer to dress for the day and that breakfast may be more casual than at other dining periods.

Catering for Private Parties

The private dining room is the perfect setting for a special celebration for family or friends. Please contact the concierge to make arrangements for your special event and to discuss extra costs that may apply. You may dine using our menu or create a menu of your choice in consultation with the director of culinary services.

Special Diets

Our meals are carefully selected to accommodate the tastes, cultural traditions, and dietary needs of our residents. If you have any concerns or suggestions, or if you require a special diet, even on a short-term basis, please discuss it with the director of culinary services. There may be limitations to some dietary items being provided, but we look forward to working with our residents on a case-by-case basis with any unique requests.

In-Suite Dining

If you are ill and require your meal brought to your suite, please contact concierge. This will be done on a complimentary basis for up to three (3) days during each illness (e.g. cold, flu, pneumonia, etc.) thereafter a cost per meal tray may be implemented at Amica’s reasonable discretion.

Dining Room Guests

Guests are welcome at all meals. It is recommended that a reservation be made with the concierge in advance. If you wish to book the private dining room, please book at least a week in advance where possible. Guest meals may be paid by cash, credit card, debit card or charged to your account.

Bistro

Our bistro is open all day to provide you and your guests with coffee, tea and delicious snacks. This is also a wonderful time for you to meet and socialize with other residents.

Bar Fees

Beer, wine and liquor are available with service times and prices posted. Wine is available at both lunch and dinner. Please check with the director of culinary services for further details concerning our bar services.

SECTION 11: Wellness Services

We provide attentive, comprehensive personalized care that adapts with you. As your needs change, so does our care. At Amica, you will always have the support you need to live your life fully without having to worry about moving again. Each resident's wellness package includes a suitable service type that is determined in conversation with the resident services coordinator/director of wellness upon completion of the Wellness Assessment.

The wellness assessment reviews your daily living, the support needs, and hospitality service requests. Once completed, a level and service type are determined based on your unique needs for activities of daily living and/or medication assistance. Residents must meet the suitability criteria to reside in the suite, which includes but not limited to, receiving assisted living services delivered by the operator. The RSC/Director of Wellness can provide you with additional information.

We will not prevent a resident from retaining an external care provider or interfere with the provision of those services. The director of wellness can provide you with information relating to the provision of services by an external

care provider, if readily available, but is not responsible for ensuring that the external care provider meets prescribed care standards. If you are interested in hiring an external care provider, please review Amica's External Care Provider Guidelines. Please ask your Concierge for a copy of this.

Wellness Assessment

As noted above, a wellness assessment is completed to establish the type of support you may require on a daily basis. We also want to understand how and when you would like this service provided. The wellness assessment will be completed by a nurse and is completed prior to move-in, at the end of the first 30 days and every six months thereafter, or as changes in your health status dictate.

Personalized Wellness Plan

To support you to flourish in mind, body and spirit we want to learn as much about you as possible. The resident discovery process and the wellness assessment lead to the development of a personalized wellness plan. This plan helps our team know how to best serve you and allows for more meaningful interactions between you and our team members.

Falls Prevention

Falls are one of the most common ways that people of all ages injure themselves. As we age, however, the risk for falls increases. We care about your safety and for this reason, have a comprehensive fall prevention program. This program fully assesses your risk for falls and if necessary, interventions will be added to your personalized wellness plan. These interventions will assist in reducing your risk of fall, while maintaining your independence. Please speak to your director of wellness for further information regarding this fall prevention.

Restraint-Free Residence

Amica Westboro Park is committed to maintaining and respecting the dignity of each resident. For this reason, **Amica Westboro Park** is a restraint-free residence.

TB Screening

All residents moving into **Amica Westboro Park** are required to have a TB screening can be completed by completing a questionnaire or having a chest x-ray taken and the results shared with our wellness department

Infections and Illness

We ask that you report any illness, infection or diseases to a wellness team member immediately upon symptoms being present. Public health requires that we track and report infectious diseases. In case of numerous residents being sick at one-time, precautionary measures may be taken depending on the severity and the risk associated with the illness.

Influenza Vaccination

Influenza is a serious respiratory disease caused by a virus. People who get influenza may have one or more of the following symptoms - cough, fever, chills, sore throat, headache, muscle aches and fatigue. It usually lasts from 5-10 days, although the cough and fatigue can persist for several weeks. Influenza can lower a person's ability to fight off other infections that can lead to bronchitis or pneumonias. Persons with chronic medical conditions, such as diabetes, cancer, kidney, heart or lung problems can also find their conditions worsened due to the stress of an influenza infection. Although it is still possible to get influenza after getting a flu shot, the risk of contracting it is much lower, the severity is lessened, and the length of time is shortened. We strongly recommend that every resident receive an annual flu shot. The flu shot will not only, help to protect you from contracting Influenza, but it will also minimize the risk of you possibly spreading the illness to others living and working at **Amica Westboro Park**.

Pneumococcal Vaccination

The Pneumococcal vaccination called "Pneumovax" is given to aid in the prevention of getting pneumonia. This shot is strongly recommended, especially for those who have heart disease, lung disease, diabetes and liver disease. A common complication of influenza is pneumonia. This vaccine can be given any time of the year. It is still possible to get pneumonia after you have been vaccinated, however the risk is much lower than if you would have not been vaccinated. Please ask your family physician about this vaccine and let the wellness team know when you have had it, so we can add it to your vaccination history

Creatinine Level–Blood Work

As part of our outbreak management and infection control program, we ask all Residents on an annual basis, in early fall, to have a creatinine blood test. You may choose to have this blood work done here or at a local lab. The result of the creatinine level determines the proper dosage of an anti-viral medication dispensed by the pharmacy in the event of a flu outbreak. This blood work can be done before or after receiving the flu shot.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

One area that is of vital importance to you and to us, is your wish to have cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) performed on you in the event we should find you with no vital signs indicating your heart has a severe abnormal rhythm or it has stopped. CPR may include measures such as chest compression, applying shocks to your chest over the heart, insertion of a breathing tube down your throat and/or, administration of emergency drugs to stimulate the heart and clamp down on blood vessels.

If a team member discovers you without a heartbeat and you have chosen to have CPR performed on you, CPR will be initiated. Once we begin CPR, emergency medical personnel will be called, and they will continue CPR.

If you elect not to have CPR initiated, a special form titled, “<<BC- No CPR Form>> <<ON -Do Not Resuscitate Confirmation Form>>” will be completed and included in your resident health file. Should you become gravely ill and require transport to hospital, we will ensure this Form is given to the emergency personnel, so they will know your wishes.

No matter what choice you make, you always have the right to change your mind at any time. Talk it over with your family because it is important that they also understand your wishes. **If you cannot come to a decision on move in, we will consider this as your wish to have CPR initiated**, until you decide otherwise.

Your choice to have or not have CPR initiated is a very separate issue from any other critical illness or episode. If you were choking, we will always act immediately regardless of your CPR status. If you become ill with things such as

pneumonia, other infections, were experiencing pain or flare ups of other medical issues, we will work with your physician to provide the best course of treatment decided on between you and your physician. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to discuss this with the director of wellness.

LAB Services

For your convenience, a lab technician from <<enter lab partner>> comes into the residence every week to do blood work on residents where it has been requested from you or your family physician. This blood work is processed through <<enter lab partner>> and the results are sent to your doctor's office. There is a fee per visit or per test and you will be billed directly from the lab service provider. Having blood work or tests performed at a local lab is of no cost to you.

Pharmacy

Amica Westboro Park orders and receives all medication through CareRx. Amica residents can use their pharmacy of choice. If you are using our pharmacy and plan to be away on holidays or overnight, we ask that you notify the wellness department in advance to enable them to make sure you have enough medication to take with you while you are away. CareRx will bill you directly as **Amica Westboro Park** does not take responsibility for any charges or balances owed.

Doctor

If you require a new doctor please contact the wellness department.

Government Services

Our wellness team is happy to provide you with support with any care needs you may require. You may also qualify for government sponsored programs (e.g. Assistive Device Program, physiotherapy, etc.). Please direct any inquiries to the director of wellness or you may contact the government sponsored program(s) directly.

Residents' Bill of Rights

The *Retirement Homes Act, 2010* is a piece of legislation designed to protect the residents of Ontario's retirement homes. Each resident is entitled to the following rights, as set out in section 51 of the Act:

51. 1) EVERY RESIDENT OF A RETIREMENT HOME HAS THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS WHICH CONSTITUTE THE RESIDENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS:

1. The right to,
 - i. know what care services are provided in the home and how much they cost,
 - ii. be informed in advance of any increases in charges for care services provided in the home,
 - iii. receive advance notice of a decision of the licensee of the home to discontinue providing a particular care service,
 - iv. have the licensee of the home take reasonable steps to facilitate the resident's access to any external care providers that the resident needs, if the resident receives the notice described in subparagraph iii and indicates that he or she is going to continue to reside in the home, and
 - v. have the licensee of the home take reasonable steps to find appropriate alternate accommodation for the resident, if the resident receives the notice described in subparagraph iii and indicates that he or she is going to cease to reside in the home.
2. The right to apply for publicly funded care services and assessments.
3. The right to be informed about and to apply for care services and assessments from an external care provider.
4. The right to have his or her choice of care services provided by staff who are suitably qualified and trained to provide the services.
5. The right to,
 - i. participate fully in making any decision concerning any aspect of his or her care,
 - ii. participate fully in the development, implementation, review and revision of his or her plan of care, and
 - iii. give or refuse consent to any treatment, care or service for which his or her consent is required by law and to be informed of the consequences of giving or refusing consent.
6. The right not to be restrained except in accordance with the common law.
7. The right to be afforded privacy in treatment and in caring for his or her personal needs.
8. The right to live in a safe and clean environment where he or she is treated with courtesy and respect and in a way that fully recognizes the resident's individuality and respects the resident's dignity.
9. The right to have his or her lifestyle and choices respected and to freely pursue his or her social, cultural, religious, spiritual and other interests as long as the resident's lifestyle, choices and pursuits do not substantially interfere with the reasonable enjoyment of the home for all usual purposes by the licensee and other residents.
10. The right to raise concerns or recommend changes in policies and services on behalf of oneself or others to the Authority or any other person without interference and without fear of coercion, discrimination or reprisal, whether directed at the resident or anyone else.
11. The right to know if the home is also a care home within the meaning of the *Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*, and whether the residents therefore have rights and responsibilities as tenants under that Act.

LICENSEE'S OBLIGATIONS

- 2) Every licensee of a retirement home shall ensure that the rights set out in the Residents' Bill of Rights are fully respected and promoted in the home in accordance with the regulations, if any.

ENFORCEMENT BY RESIDENTS

- 3) A resident of a retirement home may enforce the Residents' Bill of Rights against the licensee of the home as though the resident and the licensee had entered into a contract under which the licensee had agreed to fully respect and promote the rights set out in the Residents' Bill of Rights.

