

Langdale Lodge Limited

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Inspection report

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Ratings

Overall rating for this service

Inspected but not rated

Is the service safe?

Inspected but not rated

Summary of findings

Overall summary

Langdale Lodge is a residential care home providing personal and nursing care for up to 30 people. At the time of inspection, 25 people were living at the home. The home is split over two floors and has communal dining and lounge spaces as well as an accessible garden space.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The home had an IPC lead who oversaw IPC training. They also carried out frequent spot checks and supervisions to ensure staff were supported in their understanding of good infection control practices and PPE compliance.

The provider had assigned a designated lead for the home to ensure changes in COVID-19 guidance were communicated and understood by management and staff. There were effective systems in place to ensure the provider had oversight of IPC within the home and share information.

The home was clean and well maintained. Cleaning schedules showed that the home was cleaned regularly, including increased cleaning of high touch points. Domestic staff were visible around the home.

The home had the facilities to effectively cohort people in the event of an outbreak.

Individual risk assessments were in place to consider the impact of COVID-19 on individual health conditions.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Is the service safe?

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

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Detailed findings

Background to this inspection

We carried out this inspection under Section 60 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 as part of our regulatory functions. This inspection was planned to check whether the provider is meeting the legal requirements and regulations associated with the Health and Social Care Act 2008.

As part of CQC's response to care homes with outbreaks of COVID-19, we are conducting reviews to ensure that the Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) practice is safe and that services are compliant with IPC measures. This was a targeted inspection looking at the IPC practices the provider has in place. We also asked the provider about any staffing pressures the service was experiencing and whether this was having an impact on the service.

This inspection took place on 17 February 2022 and was unannounced.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

How well are people protected by the prevention and control of infection?

- We were assured that the provider was preventing visitors from catching and spreading infections.
- We were assured that the provider was meeting shielding and social distancing rules.
- We were assured that the provider was admitting people safely to the service.
- We were assured that the provider was using PPE effectively and safely.
- We were assured that the provider was accessing testing for people using the service and staff.
- We were assured that the provider was promoting safety through the layout and hygiene practices of the premises.
- We were assured that the provider was making sure infection outbreaks can be effectively prevented or managed.
- We were assured that the provider's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.
- The provider was following the government guidance in relation to visitors.

From 11 November 2021 registered persons must make sure all care home workers and other professionals visiting the service are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, unless they have an exemption or there is an emergency.

- The Government has announced its intention to change the legal requirement for vaccination in care homes, but the service was meeting the current requirement to ensure non-exempt staff and visiting professionals were vaccinated against COVID-19.

Staffing

- The provider told us they had measures in place to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19 related staff pressures