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Merrymeet Residential Care Home

Inspection report

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Is the service safe?

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Overall rating for this service	Inspected but not rated

Summary of findings

Overall summary

Merrymeet Residential Care Home was providing accommodation and personal care to 18 people with a mental health diagnosis at the time of the inspection. The home is set within the community of Salford and accommodates up to 19 people in one adapted building. The bedrooms are split over two floors and are for single use. There are two lounges, a dining room, kitchen and an accessible secluded garden.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The premises were clean and well-maintained. Staff followed cleaning schedules to ensure all areas of the home were regularly cleaned.

We saw staff wore PPE as appropriate.

Tests for COVID-19 were being carried out in line with good practice guidance, where possible.

Visits to the home were restricted at the time of this inspection, in accordance with local infection control guidance. During this time staff were supporting people to stay in contact with their relatives and friends via the telephone calls. One person was supported to attend a regular meeting 'on-line' due to the usual face-to-face meetings being cancelled during the pandemic.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

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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 the coronavirus pandemic we are looking at the preparedness of care homes in relation to infection prevention and control. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 26 January 2021 and was announced.

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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.