

The Airedale Nursing Home 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

The Airedale Nursing Home is a care home providing personal and nursing care to 41 people on the day of our visit. The service can support up to 57 people in a building made up of two units across three floors. One wing has been adapted and one wing is purpose built.

We found the following examples of good practice.

There were several areas in the garden where people could have socially distanced visits with their relatives by appointment. A room was being turned into an area where people's visitors could have socially distanced visits in-doors during the winter months. People's visitors would not walk through the service and had a separate entrance and exit and parking area.

People, when needed were asked to self-isolate within their room or within certain zoned off areas of the service. The ground floor currently had an area of three separate isolation rooms, separated by a door, from the rest of the building.

Staff were not allowed to travel to and from work in their uniforms.

There were policies and procedures in place around infection prevention and control. These included a COVID-19 action plan and the completion of an NHS Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Assurance Framework for Care Homes.

There were two IPC leads at the service to support staff.

An extensive IPC audit had been completed at the service to monitor the quality of service and that up to date guidance and legislation was being followed by staff.

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Is the service safe?

We were assured that this service met good infection prevention and control guidelines.

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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 conducting a thematic review of infection control and prevention measures in care homes.

The service was selected to take part in this thematic review which is seeking to identify examples of good practice in infection prevention and control.

This inspection took place on 16 November 2020 and was announced.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

S5□ 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 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.