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Aquarius Care Home

Inspection report

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Ratings

Overall rating for this service	Inspected but not rated
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Is the service safe?	Inspected but not rated
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Summary of findings

Overall summary

Aquarius Care Home provides accommodation and personal care for up to 20 older people. At the time of the inspection there were 16 people living at the service some of whom were living with Dementia.

We found the following examples of good practice.

We observed staff wearing appropriate Protective Personal Equipment (PPE). PPE 'stations' were located around the service to make sure staff had access to PPE when needed.

People were provided with information about COVID in different formats, such as easy to read versions, to help people understand the virus and to give information about vaccinations.

Cleaning and infection prevention and control measures had been increased during the pandemic. Areas, such as light switches, handrails and door handles were cleaned regularly. Items delivered to the service, such as parcels, were quarantined to help reduce any risk of COVID. Regular audits were completed to monitor the cleanliness of the service.

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 the Care Quality Commission'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 19 January 2020 and was announced.

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.