

# Colleycare Limited

# The Radley Care Home

#### **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 Radley Care Home provides personal care and accommodation to a maximum of 37 people. On the day we inspected there were 37 people living at the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The provider was following the current Government National Guidance regarding care home visiting. People had three named visitors and an essential care giver. Information was available for visitors to follow. Visitors were supported to test for COVID 19 prior to entering the home and instructed how to use PPE.

The home had adapted the garden to facilitate socially distanced outdoor visits for friends and relatives.

The layout of the home and communal areas supported social distancing. The premises looked clean and hygienic throughout. There were cleaning schedules in place and adequate ventilation.

The home had sufficient supplies of personal protective equipment (PPE). There were PPE stations available throughout the premises. Staff had received training in infection prevention and control and how to don and doff PPE.

Staff had provided PPE for people who carried out activities outside of the home.

The staff were aware of who to contact should they have a outbreak of COVID 19 and the protocols to follow.

The manager explained the home ensured residents were tested for COVID-19 prior to admission to the home and if appropriate supported them to isolate in their rooms.

We have also signposted the provider to resources to develop their approach.

## The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Is the service safe?	<b>Inspected but not rated</b>
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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 COVID-19 pandemic we are looking at how services manage infection control and visiting arrangements. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection prevention and control measures the provider had 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 January 2022. We gave the service approximately 24 hours' notice of the inspection.

#### Is the service safe?

## Our findings

#### Staffing

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

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 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 the provider was facilitating visits for people living in the home in accordance with the current guidance.

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 service was meeting the requirement to ensure non-exempt staff and visiting professionals were vaccinated against COVID-19.

We have also signposted the provider to resources to develop their approach.