

Franciscan Missionary Sisters

St Josephs Nursing 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

St Joseph's Care Home is a residential care home and provides personal and nursing care for up to 24 people. At the time of inspection 18 people were receiving a service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

People told us they felt safe with the infection control and prevention measures that were in place. The layout of the service had been changed to support social distancing. For example, in the dining room chairs were spaced apart from each other.

All visitors and contractors were required to undertake Lateral Flow Device Tests (LFD) on arrival. Visiting was in line with government guidance and had been adapted throughout the pandemic to ensure visiting was compliant with government guidelines.

All people and staff participated in regular whole home testing for Covid-19. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) was readily available to staff, people and visitors. Staff wore and used PPE appropriately.

Some ancillary staff such as those working in the kitchen worked in cohorts. This reduced the risk of transmission between staff.

The layout of the service had been changed to restrict movement between the care home and the attached convent. Arrangements had been made for people to continue to participate in Mass using the gallery above the chapel. To adhere with social distancing, numbers were restricted, however Mass was also transmitted through live audio into people's bedrooms.

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 the COVID-19 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 18 March 2021 and was unannounced.

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 accessing testing for people using the service and staff.
- 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.
- We were somewhat assured that the provider was promoting safety through the layout and hygiene practices of the premises. We were not assured of the providers infection prevention processes in bathrooms. We observed cracked tiles, exposed pipe work, mildew around a shower tray and in two bathrooms wheelchairs were being stored. These practices can affect the control of infection.

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