

Memory Lane Care Homes Limited

Bryony Park Nursing 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

Bryony Park Nursing Home is a care home providing personal and nursing care to up to 44 people. At the time of our inspection there were 40 people using the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

Staff used PPE correctly to help prevent the spread of infection. The service was clean and enhanced cleaning had taken place during a recent outbreak of COVID-19, this included regular cleaning of frequent touchpoints. The housekeeping staff spoke passionately about keeping people safe.

Detailed and person-centred risk assessments were in place to keep people safe. The provider had an up to date infection control policy in place.

During the recent outbreak of COVID-19 the registered manager had created different zones in the home to stop the spread of infection. People were admitted to the service in a safe manner, in line with the latest guidance.

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 care homes with outbreaks of COVID-19, we are conducting reviews to ensure that the Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) practice is safe and that services are compliant with IPC measures. This was a targeted inspection looking at the IPC practices the provider has 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 23 May 2022 and was unannounced.

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 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.

Visiting in care homes

- People and their relatives were kept safe during visits. A visiting pod was available but most visits took place in people's rooms. Checks were in place to ensure visitors did not have COVID-19. A relative who was visiting the service at the time of the inspection said, "They are spot on, you can't get in without a negative test and they have provided PPE for us."