

Community Homes of Intensive Care and Education Limited

Chesham House

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

Chesham House is a residential home for up to ten people. The service offers accommodation, care and support to people with mental health needs. The accommodation is over two floors and includes a communal sitting and dining area and a communal kitchen. There are eight bedrooms in the main house and a further two flats in the garden. The flats are self-contained as they each have their own kitchen and bathroom. At the time of our inspection there were ten people living at the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

Staff accessed the advice of relevant professionals to support people to understand COVID-19 and the impact on their usual ways of living at the home and going out. This had also helped people to understand the use of personal protective equipment.

Staff took different breaktimes so only one staff member used the staff room at any one time.

Extra cleaning was in place and records were kept to ensure everything was cleaned regularly.

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 10 March 2021 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 personal protective equipment 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.