

Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council

Eden Lodge

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

Eden Lodge is a respite service providing personal care to adults with learning disabilities. The service is registered to provide care for up to 10 people, on a respite basis, in one building. There were six people living at the home at the time of inspection.

We found the following examples of good practice.

There was a procedure in place to welcome visitors to the home, face masks were available and hand sanitisers at the entrance. Visitors were asked to complete a health questionnaire and have their temperatures taken. Visitors including health care professionals were asked to show their vaccination status.

People were cared for by staff trained in safe infection, prevention and control, (IPC), practices who had their competencies regularly checked. Personal protective equipment, (PPE), such as gloves, aprons and masks, was in good supply and used in line with government guidance.

People living at Eden Lodge, and the staff team, were fully engaged in both the COVID-19 vaccine and testing programmes.

The service communicated well with relatives, so they were aware of what was expected as per current Government guidelines.

The premises and equipment were visibly clean and in good order.

We observed staff cleaning touch points around the home, such as handrails, light switches and door frames.

Policies and procedures were in line with current government guidance and used to inform staff, people and their families. Governance arrangements ensured that IPC policies and procedures were met.

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 10 February 2022 and was announced. We gave the service 48 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 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.
- The provider was aware of the latest visiting guidance and were facilitating visits.

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 Government has announced its intention to change the legal requirement for vaccination in care homes, but the service was meeting the current requirement to ensure non-exempt staff and visiting professionals were vaccinated against COVID-19.