

HC-One Oval Limited

Admirals Reach 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

Admirals Reach provides accommodation, nursing and personal care for up to 158 people and at the time of the inspection 103 people lived at the service. People lived in four separate houses and we inspected two of the units, Nelson and Jellico.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The service had implemented a 'responsible visitors code' to encourage visitors to behave in the right way and follow the correct procedures.

The provider was following government guidance on whole home testing for people and staff, as well as visitors.

There were clear arrangements in place at the entrance to the service, in each of the houses we went to and at other key areas to minimise the risk of infection.

The provider ensured adequate ventilation throughout the property via open windows in communal areas and private rooms.

Staff employed at the service had received training on infection prevention and the correct use of personal protective equipment (PPE).

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 finding 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 29 April 2021 and was announced.

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 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.