

Mission Care

Homefield

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

Homefield is a nursing home which provides accommodation and support to people in a purpose built building in the London Borough of Bromley. The home is registered to provide support to up to 42 people. There were 36 people living at the home at the time of our inspection.

We found the following examples of good practice:

Staff received training and competency assessments in infection prevention and control. They had also completed training in donning and doffing PPE and demonstrated a good understanding of this training.

The home had procedures in place to reduce the risk of the spread of infection from any visitors. These included carrying out COVID-19 tests and health screening checks prior to entry, and ensuring visitors had access to appropriate PPE during their visit.

People and staff were regularly tested for COVID-19, in line with national guidelines for testing in care homes. Staff were aware of the symptoms to look out for that may indicate a person had COVID-19 and the home had procedures in place to isolate people if they became symptomatic or tested positive, in order to maintain safety. The provider followed national guidelines when admitting people to the home during the pandemic.

People and staff were encouraged to maintain social distancing whilst in the home and staff breaks were staggered in support of this. The home was clean and hygienic. The registered manager carried out regular infection control audits to help identify and act on any potential risks. The home had infection prevention and control policies which were regularly reviewed and reflected current national guidelines.

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 coronavirus 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 17 March 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.