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Overall summary

We carried out an announced comprehensive inspection of this service on 10 June 2015 as part of our regulatory functions where a breach of legal requirements was found. After the comprehensive inspection, the surgery wrote to us to say what they would do to meet the legal requirements in relation to the breach.

We followed up on our inspection of 10 June 2015 to check that the surgery had implemented their plan and to confirm that they now met the legal requirements. We carried out a desk based review on 9 December 2015 to check whether the practice had taken action to address a breach of Regulation 12(2)(h) of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014. This report only covers our findings in relation to those requirements. We have not revisited SDC Harrison -Dental Surgery of this review because SDC Harrison -Dental Surgery were able to demonstrate that they were meeting the standards without the need for a visit.

Our findings were:

Are services safe?

We found that this practice was providing safe care in accordance with the relevant regulations.

You can read the report from our last comprehensive inspection, by selecting the 'all reports' link for SDC Harrison - Dental Surgery on our website at www.cqc.org.uk.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Are services safe?

This focused inspection concentrated on the key question of whether or not the surgery was safe. We found that the surgery was now providing safe care in accordance with the relevant regulations.

At our previous inspection we found that the surgery had not followed some guidance within the legionella risk assessment dated January 2010.

The surgery sent us evidence for our review showing that a legionella risk assessment had taken place in August 2015 and evidence of regular water temperature monitoring had taken place in accordance with that risk assessment.



SDC Harrison - Dental Surgery Detailed findings

Background to this inspection

This inspection was planned to check whether the practice was meeting the legal requirements and regulations associated with the Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014.

We carried out a review of this service on 9 December 2015. This review was carried out to check that improvements to meet legal requirements planned by the surgery after our comprehensive inspection on 10 June 2015 had been made. We reviewed the surgery against one of the five questions we ask about services: is the service safe? This is because the service was not previously meeting one of the legal requirements under the safe domain. At the previous, comprehensive inspection on 10 June 2015 we found that the surgery was not safe because some guidance within the legionella risk assessment dated January 2010 had not been followed.

The review was led by a CQC inspector who had access to remote advice from a specialist advisor.

During our review, we checked that the provider's action plan had been implemented. We reviewed a range of documents provided by SDC Harrison - Dental Surgery.

Are services safe?

Our findings

Infection control

At our previous inspection on 10 June 2015, we found that the surgery had not followed some guidance within the legionella risk assessment dated January 2010. For example, the surgery had not undertaken regular water temperature monitoring in accordance with the legionella risk assessment report. Nor had it reviewed its legionella status in 2012 as recommended. The registered provider sent us documents to show that a legionella risk assessment had taken place in August 2015. In addition they provided us with evidence that regular water temperature monitoring had taken place. There was also a process in place to remind the registered provider to ensure that they undertake annual legionella checks.