

# The Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution Care Company

# Harry Priestley House

## 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

Harry Priestley House is in Thorne, near Doncaster. It is registered to provide accommodation for up to 12 people who require personal care. The home specialises in supporting adults with learning disabilities. At the time of our inspection there were 11 people living in the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The provider had created a visitors pod where visits could take place whilst adhering to social distancing measures.

Risk assessments were clear and well detailed, they had been regularly reviewed and updated following the latest government guidance.

Teddy bears and soft toys that were meaningful to people were wearing PPE to help familiarise people to the practice.

The service was accessing the government testing scheme, which meant people who used the service and staff were being tested for COVID-19 on a regular basis.

The service had two infection control leads in the service who had additional duties to prevent the spread of infection.

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

## The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

### **Is the service safe?**

We were assured this service met good infection prevention and control guidelines.

**Inspected but not rated**

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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 coronavirus, we are conducting reviews to ensure that the Infection Prevention and Control practice was safe and the service was compliant with IPC measures. This was a targeted inspection looking at the IPC practices the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 5 November 2020 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.