

Leonard Cheshire Disability

Springfield - Care Home Physical Disabilities

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

Springfield - Care Home Physical Disabilities comprises of a large main building with six flats and four bungalows in the external grounds. The service is a registered care home offering care and support for up to eleven adults who have physical disabilities and want to live as independently as possible. The focus of the service is on encouraging people's independence, well-being and involvement in their community. At the time of our inspection eleven people were living at the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

People were supported to receive visitors safely in line with national guidance. All visitors, including health and social care professionals were screened for any acute respiratory infections which included taking a COVID-19 test and having a temperature check. Visitors were supported to follow national guidance, by being provided with and wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) and to observe social distancing. People were also supported to maintain regular contact with their friends and family members using computer media-based programmes that used video and audio connections. The service was well equipped with mobile devices for people to use.

The service followed national guidance when admitting people to the service to reduce infection risks. Staff ensured they and the people they supported were socially distanced where possible within the service. Staff had access to PPE to support people safely whilst minimising the risk of the spread of infection. Staff understood how to put on and take off PPE safely and appropriately in line with national guidance.

The service took part in the COVID-19 testing scheme in line with national guidance. All people living at the service had received their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. Staff received infection control, Covid 19 and PPE training and followed safe hygiene practices within the service. The provider had policies and procedures, risk assessments and regular audits and checks in place in relation to the management of infection control risks and COVID-19. During our inspection we observed the home was clean and hygienic.

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 15 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 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 using PPE effectively and safely.
- We were assured that the provider was admitting people safely to the service.
- 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.