

Autism Hampshire

Autism Hampshire - 102a Brockhurst Road

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

Autism Hampshire -102a Brockhurst Road is a care home, which can accommodate up to four adults with a learning disability in one adapted building. There were four people living at the service at the time of the inspection.

We found the following examples of good practice.

There was a whole home Covid-19 testing programme in place, which involved staff and residents. Best interests' decisions were made when people were not able to give their consent to participating in this programme. This helped to ensure that people's needs were fully considered when planning and implementing testing within the home.

The provider had minimised the impact of the pandemic on people's health and wellbeing. Staff had worked with people to give them insight and control around the use of PPE, Covid-19 testing and social distancing. This helped to minimise people's anxieties around the changes to their everyday lives.

There were robust plans in place around social distancing and where people needed isolating or cohorting, due to presenting with Covid-19 symptoms. Staff had worked hard to ensure any restrictions to people were minimised. Where people needed to be isolated, the provider ensured they still had regular access to the garden, designated communal areas and meaningful activities. This helped to reduce people's anxieties around changes.

The provider had detailed policies in place around cleaning and maintaining hygiene in the home. They had increased the frequency of cleaning for shared spaces such as, bathrooms or transit routes. There were appropriate arrangements in place around laundry and the disposal of clinical waste.

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 the service was following safe infection prevention and control procedures to keep people safe.

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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 9 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.