

Swanton Care & Community (Autism North) Limited

Murton Grange

Inspection report

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Ratings

Overall rating for this service	Inspected but not rated
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Is the service safe?	Inspected but not rated
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Summary of findings

Overall summary

Murton Grange is a care home for people with learning disabilities and autism, which accommodates up to 10 people in one adapted building. On the day of our inspection there were 10 people using the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The registered manager had identified, assessed and mitigated all COVID-19 related risks to people, staff and visitors. Risk assessments and policies were in place to help keep people safe.

Staff wore appropriate PPE and had access to this throughout the home. Staff had received additional training during the pandemic about correct PPE usage and infection prevention and control from the provider.

The home was clean. Enhanced cleaning was being carried out including frequent touch points such as handrails and door handles. The registered manager had implemented the use of a UV hand hygiene machine which was used by staff to ensure their hands were clean.

The provider had implemented effective contingency plans, including occasional use of staff from local services, to ensure there were sufficient staff available to meet people's needs.

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 COVID-19 pandemic we are looking at how services manage infection control and visiting arrangements. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection prevention and control measures the provider had in place. We also asked the provider about any staffing pressures the service was experiencing and whether this was having an impact on the service.

This inspection took place 28 July 2022 and was announced. We gave the provider 48 hours' notice to ensure someone would be available to speak with us and show us records.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

Staffing

- The provider told us they had measures in place to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19 related staff pressures

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 supporting people living at the service to minimise the spread of infection.
- 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 responding effectively to risks and signs of infection.
- 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.
- The registered manager ensured visiting by relatives was completed in accordance with government guidelines.
- Professional visitors were required to produce a negative lateral flow test before entering the home.