

Blackhurst Care Home Limited

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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

Blackhurst Care Home is a residential care home providing personal care to six people living with learning disabilities at the time of the inspection. The service can support up to six people.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- People were supported by staff who were fully trained in infection prevention and control and who wore Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in line with current guidance.
- People were supported to take responsibility for deep cleaning of their own rooms to promote their independence. Staff provided close oversight to ensure cleaning regimes were undertaken in line with current infection prevention and control guidance.
- People who had tested positive for Covid-19 were required to self isolate in their rooms in line with current guidance. Where possible, people were supported in rooms that were self contained and could be accessed independently from the rest of the home.
- People's individual health and support needs were considered when they were required to self isolate. One person had a specific health need so the provider liaised with the local health team to agree a personalised isolation plan that specifically met their needs whilst also minimising risk of transmission of Covid-19.
- People's hospital passports had been reviewed to ensure their health needs were up to date and relevant to the pandemic. People's wishes and feelings regarding Do Not Attempt Resuscitation (DNAR) orders had been discussed and were clearly documented in their hospital passports.
- Staff were required to complete a daily Covid-19 risk declaration which considered whether they were at any disproportionate risk of Covid-19. This ensured that risks to staff were up to date and that action could be taken immediately to mitigate any enhanced risk to staff.

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 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 18 December 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.