

Leonard Cheshire Disability

Chipstead Lake - 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

Chipstead Lake Physical Disabilities is a registered care home providing accommodation and personal care for up to 24 younger adults and older people who have physical adaptive needs. At the time of the inspection there were 23 people living in the service. Each person had their own room and private bathroom and two people had their own self-contained flat.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- The registered manager had implemented procedures to minimise the risk of infection from visitors. Visiting was by appointment only. A visitor pod had been created in the conservatory with floor to ceiling screens to support safe visiting. Visitors were able to access the conservatory directly without coming into the home.
- The service had procedures in place to enable new people to move into the service safely. A requirement for a negative test for Covid-19 and a 14-day isolation period were in place. One to one support was provided where required which minimised exposure to unnecessary risk and provided reassurance.
- The service had up to date infection control policies including those specific to Covid-19 and infection outbreaks. The home looked clean and there were cleaning schedules in place which were monitored by the infection control lead. Regular infection control audits were done by the registered manager and actions were monitored to ensure completion.

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 our 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.

This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place. As part of the CQC's response to the coronavirus pandemic we are conducting a review of infection control and prevention measures in care homes.

The inspection took place on 24 February 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 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.