

Kiniths House 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

Kiniths House is registered to provide accommodation and personal care to a maximum of 10 people with a learning disability. At the time of our inspection 10 people lived at the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- Robust visiting procedures were in place to prevent infection entering the home. These included, as a minimum, the completion of a disclaimer confirming visitors were well, had no symptoms of COVID-19, and the wearing of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- The use of single occupancy bedrooms, social distancing where possible and good ventilation minimised infection transmission risks.
- PPE was plentiful and available throughout the home. Staff wore PPE that met current guidance.
- There was a three times weekly COVID-19 testing programme for staff and people were tested every 28 days. If people or staff tested positive, they would be required to self-isolate in line with government directives.
- People were kept safe by the effective layout of the premises that minimised contact with others. The premises were clean and hygienic. In-depth cleaning was maintained throughout the day and night.
- Staff had received a range of training in Infection Prevention Control (IPC) procedures that included, COVID-19 awareness, donning and doffing and testing processes.
- The provider was proactive to ensure the IPC policy was current and reviewed when new government guidance was issued.

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 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.