

MDS Healthcare (Care Homes) Limited

Brandreth Lodge Nursing Home

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

Brandreth Lodge Nursing Home is a residential care home providing accommodation and personal care to older people. The home can accommodate up to 24 people requiring support with their nursing or personal care needs. At the time of this visit 17 people were living at the home. The home had been adapted to meet the needs of people living there. There was a passenger lift, assisted bathing facilities and an activity room.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The home had comprehensive policies and procedures to manage any risks associated with the Covid-19 pandemic. This included the management of people with a COVID-19 positive diagnosis. The policies and procedures were updated regularly following any changes in national guidance. Regular infection prevention and control (IPC) audits were undertaken

The registered manager contacted the infection prevention team for advice and guidance as required to ensure safe services were provided to people living in the home.

A programme of regular Covid-19 testing for both people in the home and staff was implemented, and appropriate action taken to mitigate the risk to others when an infection was identified.

All the people living in the home had received the first dose of Covid-19 vaccine. Most staff had received this also, however some staff had refused and the registered manager following discussion was going to undertake risk assessments with these staff members.

Staff had all received training in infection prevention and control, handwashing and the wearing of personal protective equipment (PPE). We observed staff to be wearing the correct PPE throughout the inspection.

The home had made arrangements for people to receive visitors safely in a purpose built visiting pod. Personal family contact plans were in place for people who needed the additional support and reassurance of these. People could use the telephone and tablets were available to allow for video calling.

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 3 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.