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Stanford House

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

Stanford House Care Home provides accommodation and personal care to a maximum of 10 older people. At the time of our inspection six people lived at the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- A visiting policy was in place. By prior arrangement, on a one at a time basis people could sit in the entrance porch to speak with and see their family in line with social distancing guidance. Visitors to the home were required to wear full Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). People were supported by staff to remain in contact with their family and friends via telephone and video calls.
- People were encouraged to social distance in line with current guidance. Chairs had been spaced out to ensure they were at least two metres apart. Staff sat with people at a distance that allowed conversation but reduced the risk of infection transmission.
- People were supported by staff who wore the required PPE. PPE was disposed of in appropriate waste bins in line with Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) good practice.
- As a matter of course staff had a COVID-19 test twice weekly and people every 28 days. Where people or staff tested positive, they were required to self-isolate in line with current guidance.
- The premises were clean. Cleaning schedules were in place and were complied with.
- Staff were not allowed at the present time to work in a second care service and no bank or agency staff were used to reduce the risk of transmission of infection.
- People were supported by staff who were trained in IPC and PPE usage.
- The provider's IPC policy was up to date and had been implemented within the home. Guidance to prevent infection being brought into and spread within the home was visible within the home.

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 10 February 2021 and was announced.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

How well are people protected by the prevention and control of infection?

- We were assured that the provider had procedures in place to prevent people and staff acquiring and spreading infections.
- We were assured that the provider was meeting shielding and social distancing rules.
- We were assured that the provider could admit people safely to the service if this situation transpired.
- 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, staff and visitors.
- We were assured that the provider was promoting safety through the layout and hygiene practices of the premises.
- We were assured that the provider could ensure if infection outbreaks were to occur they could be effectively managed.
- We were assured that the provider's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.