

Turning Point

# Rix House

## Inspection report

24 Arncliffe Road  
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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

At the time of inspection, Rix House is registered to provide accommodation for people with learning disabilities or autistic spectrum disorder. It is a purpose built building with single rooms which have suitable adaptations to meet the needs of the people living in the home. Rix House is registered to care for 20 people and at the time of our inspection 13 people lived at the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- The home was in a local lockdown and was closed to visitors. Prior to this, the home had amended changes to how visits took place to minimise the risk of the spread of infection. This was meeting in the community or in the enclosed garden.
- Staff at the home have ensured people using the service maintain contact with relatives. This is organised through video calls on mobile devices.
- To ensure the safety of the people living at the home, there are no respite stays taking place. This is to minimise the risk of infection transmission.
- Staff were trained in how to keep people safe and use personal protective equipment (PPE) correctly. Through observations during the inspection and during conversations with staff, it was evident that staff were aware of the responsibilities to manage infection prevention and control.

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

## The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

### **Is the service safe?**

No ratings were awarded following this inspection. This was a thematic review seeking to identify examples of good practice in infection prevention and control.

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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 CQC's response to the coronavirus pandemic we are conducting a thematic review of infection control and prevention measures in care homes.

This inspection took place on 25 August 2020 and was announced. The service was selected to take part in this thematic review which is seeking to identify examples of good practice in infection prevention and control.

# Is the service safe?

## Our findings

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 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.