

Birmingham Association For Mental Health(The) Ludford Road Residential Care

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

Ludford Road Residential Care is a residential care home providing personal care for up to 8 people with mental health needs. At the time of the inspection six people were using the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- On their arrival at the home, visitors were screened for symptoms of Covid-19 and were required to completed a lateral flow test to ensure their visit could take place safely in line with current guidance.
- The registered manager was aware of recently updated guidance on visiting arrangements for friends and family and systems were in place to facilitate visits in line with guidance.
- Clear signage was displayed throughout the home to prompt with handwashing and correct personal protective equipment (PPE) use.
- Additional cleaning had been implemented to help lower the risk of infection.
- Staff and people were in receipt of regular COVID-19 testing and any staff displaying symptoms were asked to isolate at 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 11 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.