

Four Seasons (JB) Limited

Grove Discharge Unit

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

Grove Discharge Unit is based within Clatterbridge Hospital. It provides short term nursing or residential care for up to 30 people who have been discharged from hospital and require a period of further assessment or rehabilitation. At the time of the inspection there were 13 people staying in the unit. The unit had been identified for use in response to the Winter Plan for people discharged from hospital with a positive Covid-19 status. The service was compliant with all infection prevention control measures and managers ensured the safety of people and staff both within the unit.

- There were clinical waste bins throughout the unit. However, the manager had been requesting an external clinical waste bin for some time. This was raised by the inspector with the inspection manager who in turn raised it with the local authority. This was to be acted on prior to the unit becoming a designated care setting, which it was.
- Safe procedures were followed for admitting people to the service. Adapted assessment processes were completed, and people were only admitted following evidence of a negative COVID-19 test. However the manager was able to discuss a change to processes if the service became a designated care setting.
- Grove Discharge Unit although situated within Clatterbridge Hospital, was a separate unit with its own entrance and exit. The building layout and designated different uses of entrance areas ensured good practices of infection prevention and control were carried out.
- People who required isolating or who were not diagnosed with Covid-19 were supported in designated areas of the unit.
- Regular testing was in place. Well stocked and clearly signed personal protective equipment (PPE) stations were located around the service. Staff were observed using correct PPE equipment when carrying out their duties.
- Staff had been trained in infection control practices and the manager ensured competencies were maintained.
- The unit had a dedicated cleaning staff team who ensured cleaning standards were maintained in accordance with government guidelines..
- People had been supported to access GP's and members of the multi-disciplinary team to receive care and treatment as they required.

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?

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.

The service had been identified for use by the Local Authority as a designated care setting in response to the Winter Plan for people discharged from hospital with a positive Covid-19 status. This targeted inspection was to ensure that the service was compliant with infection control and prevention measures.

This inspection took place on 29 January 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.