

Elysium Care Partnerships No 2 Limited

Martham 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

Martham House is a residential care home providing personal care to eight people living with learning disabilities at the time of the inspection. The service can support up to 10 people.

We found the following examples of good practice.

Pictorial stories had been developed for the service users and used to help to explain Covid-19 and its impact. This information was presented in different ways depending on the understanding of service users and included information on why staff were wearing masks at the home.

The provider had created a way for managers and staff to ensure they were always accessing up to date guidance on Covid-19. This included links to the national guidance for different subjects such as personal protective equipment (PPE), visitors and new admissions. There were individual risk assessments in place for all Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) staff as well at the home as well as other staff who also wished to have an individual risk assessment or required one due to health reasons.

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?

We were assured that the provider managed infection prevention and control through the coronavirus pandemic.

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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 8 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

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.