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# Haighfield Care Home

## 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

Haighfield Care Home is a purpose built, four storey care home located in Wigan. The home can accommodate up to 45 people and offers residential, nursing, continuing care, day care and respite care services. On the day of the inspection there were 34 people receiving a service, with a further admission expected later in the day.

We found the following examples of good practice.

All visitors were screened for symptoms of acute respiratory infection before being allowed to enter the home. The provider ensured they checked the vaccination status of relevant visitors.

Staff were ensuring they arrived at the home in their own clothes and changed into their uniforms in a designated room. PPE was worn and disposed of appropriately throughout the home. The provider had assessed the impact on people of staff using PPE.

All staff had a test without delay if they became symptomatic. Staff who had been exposed to COVID-19 also had a test where recommended by guidance. The frequency of testing followed current guidance.

Domestic staff were completing cleaning schedules for general cleaning and deep cleaning of high touch areas, which took place regularly.

## 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 care homes with outbreaks of COVID-19, we are conducting reviews to ensure that the Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) practice is safe and that services are compliant with IPC measures. This was a targeted inspection looking at the IPC practices the provider has in place. We also asked the provider about any staffing pressures the service was experiencing and whether this was having an impact on the service.

This inspection took place on 17 February 2022 and was announced. We gave the service 48 hours' notice of the inspection.

# Is the service safe?

## Our findings

### Staffing

- The provider told us they had measures in place to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19 related staff pressures

### 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.
- The provider was facilitating visits for people living in the home in accordance with the current guidance.

From 11 November 2021 registered persons must make sure all care home workers and other professionals visiting the service are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, unless they have an exemption or there is an emergency.

- The Government has announced its intention to change the legal requirement for vaccination in care homes, but the service was meeting the current requirement to ensure non-exempt staff and visiting professionals were vaccinated against COVID-19.