

Unannounced Care Inspection Report 24 January 2019



Rosemount Care Centre

Type of Service: Residential Care Home Address: 2 Moy Road, Portadown, BT62 1QL Tel No: 02838331311 Inspector: Michael Lavelle

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It should be noted that this inspection report should not be regarded as a comprehensive review of all strengths and areas for improvement that exist in the service. The findings reported on are those which came to the attention of RQIA during the course of this inspection. The findings contained within this report do not exempt the service from their responsibility for maintaining compliance with legislation, standards and best practice.

1.0 What we look for



2.0 Profile of service

This is a residential care home with 32 beds that provides care for residents living with dementia.

3.0 Service details

Organisation/Registered Provider: Zest Care Homes Limited Responsible Individual(s): Philip Scott	Registered Manager: Patricia Purvis
Person in charge at the time of inspection: Patricia Purvis	Date manager registered: Application awaited – registration pending
Categories of care: Residential Care (RC) DE – Dementia	Number of registered places: 32

4.0 Inspection summary

An unannounced care inspection took place on 24 January 2018 from 11.00 hours to 15.45 hours.

This inspection was underpinned by The Residential Care Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and the Residential Care Homes Minimum Standards, August 2011.

The inspection sought to assess progress with issues raised during and since the last care inspection on the 23 October 2018.

Evidence of good practice was found in relation to maintaining good working relationships, the culture and ethos of the home, listening to and valuing residents and taking account of the views of residents. There were also examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation to care records and staffing.

An area requiring improvement was identified in relation to environmental cleaning.

The findings of this report will provide the home with the necessary information to assist them to fulfil their responsibilities, enhance practice and resident experience.

4.1 Inspection outcome

	Regulations	Standards
Total number of areas for improvement	1	0

Details of the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) were discussed with Patricia Purvis, manager, as part of the inspection process. The timescales for completion commence from the date of inspection.

Enforcement action did not result from the findings of this inspection.

4.2 Action/enforcement taken following the most recent care inspection

Other than those actions detailed in the QIP no further actions were required to be taken following the most recent inspection on 23 October 2018.

5.0 How we inspect

Prior to the inspection a range of information relevant to the service was reviewed. This included the following records: the registration status of the home, the previous inspection report, notifiable events, pre-inspection audit and written and verbal communication received since the previous care inspection.

During the inspection the inspector met with the manager, seven residents, one relative and six staff.

Questionnaires were provided for distribution to residents and/or their representatives to enable them to share their views with RQIA. A poster was provided for staff detailing how they could complete an electronic questionnaire. The inspector provided the person in charge with 'Have we missed you' cards which were then placed in a prominent position to allow residents and their relatives/representatives, who were not present on the day of inspection, the opportunity to give feedback to RQIA regarding the quality of service provision. A poster informing visitors to the home that an inspection was being conducted was displayed on the front door of the home.

During the inspection a sample of records was examined which included:

- staff duty rota from weeks beginning 14 January 2018 and 21 January 2018
- staff training schedule and training records
- three residents' care files
- audits of risk assessments, care plans, care reviews; accidents and incidents (including falls, outbreaks), environment, Infection Prevention and Control (IPC), NISCC registration
- infection control register/associated records
- equipment maintenance/cleaning records
- accident, incident, notifiable event records
- reports of visits by the registered provider
- RQIA registration certificate
- programme of activities

Areas for improvements identified at the last care inspection were reviewed and assessment of compliance recorded as met.

The findings of the inspection were provided to the person in charge at the conclusion of the inspection.

6.0 The inspection

6.1 Review of areas for improvement from the most recent inspection dated 23 October 2018

The most recent inspection of the home was an unannounced care inspection. The completed QIP was returned and approved by the care inspector.

6.2 Review of areas for improvement from the last care inspection dated 23 October 2018

Areas for improvement from the last care inspection		
Action required to ensure compliance with the DHSSPS Residential Care Homes Minimum Standards, August 2011		Validation of compliance
Area for improvement 1 Ref: Standard 6.6	The registered person shall ensure the care records for three identified residents accurately reflect their care needs.	
Stated: First time	Ref: 6.5	
To be completed by: 31 December	Action taken as confirmed during the inspection: Review of three care records evidenced that care was planned for, assessed and delivered and accurately reflected residents care needs.	Met

6.3 Inspection findings

6.4 Is care safe?

Avoiding and preventing harm to patients and clients from the care, treatment and support that is intended to help them.

The manager advised that the staffing levels for the home were subject to regular review to ensure the assessed needs of the residents were met. No concerns were raised regarding staffing levels during discussion with residents, residents' representatives and staff. A review of the duty rota confirmed that it accurately reflected the staff working within the home.

Discussion with the manager and staff evidenced that an induction programme was in place for all staff, relevant to their specific roles and responsibilities.

Discussion with staff confirmed that mandatory training, supervision and annual appraisal of staff was regularly provided. Schedules and records of training were reviewed during the inspection.

Discussion with the manager and staff confirmed that competency and capability assessments were undertaken for any person who is given the responsibility of being in charge of the home for any period in the absence of the manager.

Arrangements were in place to monitor the registration status of staff with their professional body (where applicable). Care staff spoken with advised that they were registered with the Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC). Review of records and discussion with staff confirmed that two staff members who are now student nurses were not registered with NISCC. This was discussed with the manager who agreed to ensure all student nurses who are employed to work in the home as care assistants are registered with NISCC. This will be reviewed at a future care inspection.

Staff were knowledgeable and had a good understanding of adult safeguarding principles and had an awareness of child protection issues. They were also aware of their obligations in relation to raising concerns about poor practice and whistleblowing. A review of staff training records confirmed that mandatory adult *s*afeguarding training was provided for all staff.

The manager stated there were risk management procedures in place relating to the safety of individual residents and the home did not accommodate any individuals whose assessed needs could not be met. A review of care records identified that residents' care needs and risk assessments were obtained from the trust prior to admission.

Systems were in place to make referrals to the multi-professional team in relation to behaviour management when required. Behaviour management plans were devised by specialist behaviour management teams from the trust and noted to be regularly updated and reviewed as necessary. The manager was aware that when individual restraint was employed, that RQIA and appropriate persons/bodies must be informed.

There was an infection prevention and control (IPC) policy and procedure in place which was in line with regional guidelines. Staff training records evidenced that all staff had received training in IPC in line with their roles and responsibilities. Discussion with staff established that they were knowledgeable and had understanding of IPC policies and procedures.

Inspection of the premises confirmed that there were wash hand basins, adequate supplies of liquid soap, alcohol hand gels and disposable towels wherever care was delivered. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), e.g. disposable gloves and aprons, was available throughout the home although no PPE dispensing unit was observed in one of the units. Observation of staff practice identified that staff generally adhered to IPC procedures. There were some examples of staff not wearing appropriate PPE while cleaning. In addition, there was evidence that high dusting was not being completed with dust observed on top of cupboards and cobwebs noted in bedroom corners. Staining was observed on patient equipment including toilet roll holders, shower chairs and raised toilet seats. Communal toiletries were also observed in one identified unit. This was discussed with the manager who gave assurances that the above deficits would be addressed. An area for improvement under the regulations was made.

Good standards of hand hygiene were observed to be promoted within the home among residents, staff and visitors. Notices promoting good hand hygiene were displayed throughout the home in both written and pictorial formats.

IPC compliance audits were undertaken and action plans developed to address any deficits noted. Currently a joint IPC audit is completed for the residential and nursing home. This was discussed with the manager who agreed to ensure separate audits are completed for the residential home. This will be reviewed at a future care inspection.

The manager reported that any outbreaks of infection within the last year had been managed in accordance with the home policy and procedures. The outbreak had been reported to the Public Health Agency, the trust and RQIA with appropriate records retained.

A general inspection of the home was undertaken and the residents' bedrooms were found to be individualised with photographs, memorabilia and personal items. The home was fresh-smelling and appropriately heated.

Areas of good practice

There were examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation to staffing, induction, training and supervision and appraisal.

Areas for improvement

One area for improvement under the regulations was identified in relation to IPC.

	Regulations	Standards
Total number of areas for improvement	1	0

6.5 Is care effective?

The right care, at the right time in the right place with the best outcome

Discussion with the manager established that staff in the home responded appropriately to and met the assessed needs of the residents.

A review of three care records confirmed that these were maintained in line with the legislation and standards. They included an up to date assessment of needs, life history, risk assessments, care plans and daily/regular statement of health and well-being of the resident. Care needs assessment and a selection of risk assessments were reviewed and updated on a regular basis or as changes occurred.

The care records also reflected the multi-professional input into the residents' health and social care needs and were found to be updated regularly to reflect the changing needs of the individual residents. Residents and/or their representatives were encouraged and enabled to be involved in the assessment, care planning and review process, where appropriate. Care records reviewed were observed to be signed by the resident and/or their representative. An individual agreement setting out the terms of residency was in place and appropriately signed.

Discussion with staff confirmed that a person centred approach underpinned practice. Staff were able to describe in detail how the needs, choices and preferences of individual residents were met within the home.

A varied and nutritious diet was provided which met the individual and recorded dietary needs and preferences of the residents. Systems were in place to regularly record residents' weights and any significant changes in weight were responded to appropriately. There were arrangements in place to refer residents to dietitians and speech and language therapists (SALT) as required. Guidance and recommendations provided by dieticians and SALT were reflected within the individual resident's care plans and associated risk assessments.

Discussion with the manager and staff confirmed that wound care was managed by community nursing services. Staff advised that they were able to recognise and respond to pressure area damage observed on resident's skin. Referrals were made to the multi-professional team to areas any concerns identified in a timely manner.

The manager advised that there were arrangements in place to monitor, audit and review the effectiveness and quality of care delivered to residents at appropriate intervals. Audits of care records were available for inspection and evidenced that any actions identified for improvement were incorporated into practice. Review of records confirmed none had been completed since November 2018. This was discussed with the manager who gave assurances that audits would be completed on a regular based to ensure they are robust. This will be reviewed at a future care inspection.

Observation of practice evidenced that staff were able to communicate effectively with residents. Discussion with the manager and staff confirmed that management operated an open door policy in regard to communication within the home.

A review of care records, along with accident and incident reports, confirmed that referral to other healthcare professionals was timely and responsive to the needs of the residents.

Areas of good practice

There were examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation to care records and communication between residents, staff and other interested parties.

Areas for improvement

No areas for improvement were identified during the inspection in this domain.

	Regulations	Standards
Total number of areas for improvement	0	0

6.6 Is care compassionate?

Patients and clients are treated with dignity and respect and should be fully involved in decisions affecting their treatment, care and support.

The manager advised that staff in the home promoted a culture and ethos that supported the values of dignity and respect, independence, rights, equality and diversity, choice and consent of residents.

Discussion with staff, residents and/or their representatives and review of records evidenced that consent was sought in relation to care and treatment. Discussion and observation of care practice and social interactions demonstrated that residents were treated with dignity and respect. Staff described their awareness of promoting residents' rights, independence, dignity and confidentiality were protected.

Discussion with staff, residents and their representatives confirmed that residents' spiritual and cultural needs were met within the home. Action was taken to manage any pain and discomfort in a timely and appropriate manner.

Discussion with staff, residents, representatives and observation of practice confirmed that residents' needs were recognised and responded to in a prompt and courteous manner by staff. Residents were listened to, valued and communicated with in an appropriate manner and their views and opinions were taken into account in all matters affecting them.

Discussion with staff, residents, and/or their representatives, observation of practice and review of care records confirmed that residents were enabled and supported to engage and participate in meaningful activities. The activities programme displayed evidenced a varied programme and residents were observed listening to music, playing ball games with the activities co-ordinator and watching movies.

Observation of the lunch time meal evidenced that residents were given a choice in regards to the meals being served. The dining area appeared to be clean, tidy and the furniture had been arranged to ensure there was appropriate space for residents and staff. Staff demonstrated a good knowledge of residents' wishes, preferences and assessed needs as identified within the residents' care plans and associated dietary requirements. All residents appeared content and relaxed in their environment and staff engaged enthusiastically and warmly with residents throughout their meal. We observed that menus were not appropriately displayed in either of the two dining areas. This was discussed with the manager who gave assurances that this would be addressed immediately. This will be reviewed at a future care inspection.

Feedback received from several patients during the inspection included the following comments:

"The staff sit down and have a good chat with me. They will sort it all out for me and look after me well. They are very sociable and when you have that feeling it means a lot." "I like it alright. They are all good to you. It's all good staff." "It's a good place. You'd miss it if you weren't here. I can't say a bad thing about them."

Residents who could not verbalise their feelings in respect of their care were observed to be relaxed and comfortable in their surroundings and in their interactions with staff.

Ten resident and relative questionnaires were left in the home for completion. None were returned within the expected timescale.

One relative spoken with was very complementary in relation to the care provided to her relative. Some of their comments included,

"It is a lovely home. The staff are attentive and friendly and the food is delicious. The always have activities and the staff always make an effort. The place is clean and tidy. My relatives clothes are always clean and the staff are helpful and professional."

Areas of good practice

There were examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation to the culture and ethos of the home, listening to and valuing residents and taking account of the views of residents.

Areas for improvement

No areas for improvement were identified during the inspection in this domain.

	Regulations	Standards
Total number of areas for improvement	0	0

6.7 Is the service well led?

Effective leadership, management and governance which creates a culture focused on the needs and experience of service users in order to deliver safe, effective and compassionate care

The manager outlined the management arrangements and governance systems in place within the home and stated that the needs of residents were met in accordance with the home's statement of purpose and the categories of care for which the home was registered with RQIA.

Discussion with staff confirmed that they had received training on complaints management and were knowledgeable about how to respond to complaints. RQIA's complaint poster was available and displayed in the home.

There was an accident, incident and notifiable events policy and procedure in place which included reporting arrangements to RQIA. A review of these events confirmed that these were effectively documented and reported to RQIA and other relevant organisations in accordance with the legislation and procedures. A regular audit of accidents and incidents was undertaken and was reviewed as part of the inspection process. The manager advised that learning from accidents and incidents was disseminated to all relevant parties and action plans developed to improve practice.

Discussion with the manager confirmed that information in regard to current best practice guidelines was made available to staff. Staff were provided with mandatory training and additional training opportunities relevant to any specific needs of the residents.

A visit by the registered provider was undertaken as required under Regulation 29 of The Residential Care Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005; a report was produced and made available for residents, their representatives, staff, RQIA and any other interested parties to read. An action plan was developed to address any issues identified which include timescales and person responsible for completing the action.

Discussion with staff confirmed that there were good working relationships within the home and that management were responsive to suggestions and/or concerns raised. There were open and transparent methods of working and effective working relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

Areas of good practice

There were examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation management of incidents and maintaining good working relationships.

Areas for improvement

No areas for improvement were identified during the inspection in this domain.

	Regulations	Standards
Total number of areas for improvement	0	0

7.0 Quality improvement plan

Areas for improvement identified during this inspection are detailed in the QIP. Details of the QIP were discussed with Patricia Purvis, manager, as part of the inspection process. The timescales commence from the date of inspection.

The registered provider/manager should note that if the action outlined in the QIP is not taken to comply with regulations and standards this may lead to further enforcement action including possible prosecution for offences. It is the responsibility of the registered provider to ensure that all areas for improvement identified within the QIP are addressed within the specified timescales.

Matters to be addressed as a result of this inspection are set in the context of the current registration of the residential care home. The registration is not transferable so that in the event of any future application to alter, extend or to sell the premises RQIA would apply standards current at the time of that application.

7.1 Areas for improvement

Areas for improvement have been identified where action is required to ensure compliance with The Residential Care Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and the DHSSPS Residential Care Homes Minimum Standards, August 2011.

7.2 Actions to be taken by the service

The QIP should be completed and detail the actions taken to address the areas for improvement identified. The registered provider should confirm that these actions have been completed and return the completed QIP via Web Portal for assessment by the inspector.

Quality Improvement Plan			
Action required to ensure (Northern Ireland) 2005	Action required to ensure compliance with The Residential Care Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005		
Area for improvement 1	The registered person shall ensure suitable arrangements are in place to minimise the risk/spread of infection between residents and staff.		
Ref : Regulation 13 (7) Stated: First time	This area for improvement is made in reference to the issues highlighted in section 6.4 of this report.		
To be completed by:	Ref: 6.4		
Immediate action required	Response by registered person detailing the actions taken: The area identified in section 6:4 in relation to infection prevention has been addressed by supervision of staff in relation to cleaning and decontamination of equiptment. All units will have any missing PPE dispensing units fitted.		

Please ensure this document is completed in full and returned via Web Portal





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