

Unannounced Care Inspection Report 30 January 2018



Camphill Community Hollywood

Type of Service: Residential Care Home
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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 4 places that provides care and support for residents with a learning disability.

3.0 Service details

Organisation/Registered Provider: Camphill Community – Holywood Responsible Individual: Mr James Morton	Registered Manager: Ms Andrea Diesel
Person in charge at the time of inspection: Ms Andrea Diesel	Date manager registered: 15 June 2015
Categories of care: Residential Care (RC) LD - Learning Disability LD (E) – Learning disability – over 65 years	Number of registered places: 4

4.0 Inspection summary

An unannounced care inspection took place on 30 January 2018 from 12.00 to 15.30.

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

The inspection assessed progress with any areas for improvement identified during and since the last care inspection and sought to determine if the home was delivering safe, effective and compassionate care and if the service was well led.

Evidence of good practice was found in relation to staff training, communication with residents and systems to support quality improvement.

One area requiring improvement was stated for the second time in regard to the completion of competency and capability assessments for any staff member in charge in the absence of the registered manager.

Residents said that they had good relations with staff and that they were enjoying their lifestyle within the home.

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 Andrea Diesel, Registered 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 finance inspection

Other than those actions detailed in the QIP no further actions were required to be taken following the most recent care inspection on 28 November 2017.

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 previous inspection report, the returned QIP, notifiable events, and written and verbal communication received since the previous care inspection.

During the inspection the inspector met with two residents, the registered manager, the assistant manager and one care staff.

Questionnaires were provided for distribution to residents and their representatives for completion and return to RQIA. One questionnaire was returned within the requested timescale.

The following records were examined during the inspection:

- Staff duty rota
- Induction programme for new staff
- Staff supervision and annual appraisal schedules
- Two staff supervision records and one staff appraisal record
- Draft template of competency and capability assessment
- Staff training schedule/records
- One resident's care records
- The home's Statement of Purpose and Residents' Guide
- Minutes of recent staff meetings
- Record of two staff NISCC registration details
- Complaints and compliments records
- Accident/incident/notifiable events register
- Minutes of recent residents' meetings (house meeting)
- Monthly monitoring reports
- Fire safety risk assessment
- Programme of activities
- Policies and procedures manual

One area for improvement identified at the last care inspection were reviewed and assessment of compliance recorded as not met.

The findings of the inspection were provided to the registered manager at the conclusion of the inspection.

6.0 The inspection

6.1 Review of areas for improvement from the most recent inspection dated 28 November 2017

The most recent inspection of the home was an unannounced finance inspection.

The completed QIP had not been returned by the home to the finance inspector. The registered manager reported that the responsible individual had had difficulties using the portal to return the completed QIP. The inspector advised that the responsible individual should continue to seek support from RQIA until the QIP was successfully returned.

This QIP will be validated by the finance inspector at the next finance inspection.

6.2 Review of areas for improvement from the last care inspection dated 16 August 2017

Areas for improvement from the last care inspection		
Action required to ensure compliance with The Residential Care Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005		Validation of compliance
Area for improvement 1 Ref: Regulation 20. – (3) Stated: First time	The registered person shall carry out a competency and capability assessment with any person who is given the responsibility of being in charge of the home for any period of time in the absence of the registered manager.	Not met
	Action taken as confirmed during the inspection: The registered manager reported that a template had been developed but had not been implemented with all relevant staff. This is stated for a second time.	

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 registered manager discussed the staffing levels for the home and advised that these 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 and staff.

A review of the duty roster confirmed that it accurately reflected the staff working within the home.

Discussion with the registered manager, assistant manager and care staff confirmed that mandatory training, supervision and appraisal of staff was regularly provided. A schedule for mandatory training, annual staff appraisals and staff supervision was maintained and was reviewed during the inspection.

The registered manager advised that competency and capability assessments had not been 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. An area for improvement was stated for the second time.

The registered manager reported that enhanced AccessNI disclosures were viewed by the registered manager for all staff prior to the commencement of employment.

Arrangements were in place to monitor the registration status of staff with their professional body. The registered manager and assistant manager confirmed that they were registered with the Northern Ireland Health and Social Care Council (NISCC).

The adult safeguarding policy and procedure in place was consistent with the current regional guidance and included the name of the safeguarding champion, definitions of abuse, types of abuse and indicators, onward referral arrangements, contact information and documentation to be completed.

Discussion with staff confirmed that they were aware of the regional guidance (Adult Safeguarding Prevention and Protection in Partnership, July 2015) along with the Operational Procedures and a copy was available for staff within the home. Staff were knowledgeable and had a good understanding of adult safeguarding principles. 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 safeguarding training was provided for all staff.

Discussion with the registered manager, review of accident and incidents notifications, care records and complaints records confirmed that any suspected, alleged or actual incidents of abuse would be fully and promptly referred to the relevant persons and agencies for investigation in accordance with procedures and legislation; written records would be retained.

The registered manager advised that there were risk management procedures in place relating to the safety of individual residents. Discussion with the registered manager identified that the home did not accommodate any individuals whose assessed needs could not be met. Review of a care record identified that individual care needs assessments and risk assessments were obtained prior to admission.

The registered manager advised that no restrictive practices were undertaken within the home and on the day of the inspection none were observed.

The registered manager advised that there were risk management policy and procedures in place. Discussion with the registered manager and review of the home's policy and procedures relating to safe and healthy working practices confirmed that these were appropriately maintained and reviewed regularly e.g. fire safety.

Review of the infection prevention and control (IPC) policy and procedure confirmed that this was in line with regional guidelines. Staff training records confirmed 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. Observation of staff practice identified that staff adhered to IPC procedures.

The registered manager advised that good standards of hand hygiene were observed promoted within the home. Notices promoting good hand hygiene were displayed.

The registered manager reported that there had been no outbreaks of infection within the last year. Any outbreak would be managed in accordance with home's policy and procedures, 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 personalised with photographs, memorabilia and personal items. The home was fresh-smelling, clean and appropriately heated. Discussion took place in regard to the change of use of one room in the flat. The registered manager agreed that a variation would be submitted if required.

Inspection of the internal and external environment identified that the home and grounds were kept tidy, safe, suitable for and accessible to residents, staff and visitors. There were no obvious hazards to the health and safety of residents, visitors or staff. Discussion with the registered manager confirmed that risk assessments and action plans were in place to reduce risk where possible.

The assistant manager stated that the fire risk assessment was scheduled for completion; following the inspection she advised that this had been completed on 7 February and all recommendations would be addressed.

One completed questionnaire was returned to RQIA anonymously. The respondent described their level of satisfaction with this aspect of care as neither satisfied nor unsatisfied.

Areas of good practice

There were examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation to staff training, supervision and appraisal and the home’s environment.

Areas for improvement

One area for improvement was stated for the second time in regard to the completion of competency and capability assessments for all staff who are left in charge in the absence of the registered manager.

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

A review of one care record confirmed that these were maintained in line with the legislation and standards. They included a pre-admission information and the assessment of needs, life history, risk assessments and care plans were being completed.

Discussion with staff and a resident confirmed that a person centred approach underpinned practice.

The registered manager confirmed that systems were in place to ensure effective communication with residents, their representatives and other key stakeholders. These included pre-admission information, multi-professional team reviews, house meetings and staff meetings. The registered manager and staff confirmed that management operated an open door policy in regard to communication within the home.

Residents spoken with and observation of practice evidenced that staff were able to communicate effectively with residents. Discussion with the registered manager confirmed that staff had received training in communication/customer care. Minutes of monthly house meetings were reviewed during the inspection.

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.

One staff member spoken to said:

“We are a really good team.”

One completed questionnaire was returned to RQIA anonymously. The respondent described their level of satisfaction with this aspect of care as neither satisfied nor unsatisfied.

Areas of good practice

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

Areas for improvement

No areas for improvement were identified during the inspection.

	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.

Discussion with the registered manager confirmed 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.

A range of policies and procedures were in place which supported the delivery of compassionate care. Discussion with staff and residents confirmed that residents' spiritual and cultural needs were met within the home. Discussion with residents and staff confirmed that action was taken to manage any pain and discomfort in a timely and appropriate manner.

Residents were provided with information, in a format that they could understand, which enabled them to make informed decisions regarding their life, care and treatment.

Discussion with the registered manager, residents and staff confirmed that consent was sought in relation to care and treatment. Discussion with residents and staff along with observation of care practice and social interactions demonstrated that residents were treated with dignity and respect. Discussion with staff confirmed their awareness of promoting residents' rights, independence and dignity and were able to demonstrate how residents' confidentiality was protected.

The registered manager and staff reported that residents were listened to, valued and communicated with in an appropriate manner. Discussion with residents confirmed that their views and opinions were taken into account in all matters affecting them.

Discussion with staff and residents and observation of practice confirmed that residents' needs were recognised and responded to in a prompt and courteous manner by staff.

There were systems in place to ensure that the views and opinions of residents, and or their representatives, were sought and taken into account in all matters affecting them.

Residents are consulted with, at least annually, about the quality of care and environment. This consultation was taking place at the time of the inspection. Discussion with the registered manager confirmed that the findings from the consultation would be collated into a summary report and action plan and made available for residents and other interested parties to read.

Discussion with staff and residents confirmed that residents were enabled and supported to engage and participate in meaningful activities. Arrangements were in place for residents to maintain links with their friends, families and wider community.

Staff and residents spoken with during the inspection made the following comments:

- “They (staff) are very nice.” (resident)
- “I’m with one resident in the bakery and with another we do arts and craft.”(staff)

One completed questionnaire was returned to RQIA anonymously. The respondent described their level of satisfaction with this aspect of care as neither satisfied nor unsatisfied.

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.

	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 registered manager outlined the management arrangements and governance systems in place within the home. 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.

A range of policies and procedures is in place to guide and inform staff. Policies were centrally indexed and retained in a manner which was easily accessible by staff. Policies and procedures were systematically reviewed every three years or more frequently as changes occurred.

There was a complaints policy and procedure in place which was in accordance with the legislation and Department of Health (DOH) guidance on complaints handling. Residents and/or their representatives were made aware of how to make a complaint by way of the Residents Guide and information available within the home. Discussion with staff confirmed that they had received training on complaints management and were knowledgeable about how to receive and deal with complaints.

Review of the complaints records confirmed that arrangements were in place to effectively manage complaints from residents, their representatives or any other interested party. There had been no complaints received since the previous care inspection. The registered manager verified that records of complaints would include details of any investigation undertaken, all communication with complainants, the outcome of the complaint and the complainant's level of satisfaction. Arrangements were in place to share information about complaints and compliments with staff.

There was an accident/incident/notifiable events policy and procedure in place which included reporting arrangements to RQIA. A review of accidents/incidents/notifiable events confirmed that these were effectively documented and reported to RQIA and other relevant organisations in accordance with the legislation and procedures. Learning from accidents and incidents was disseminated to all relevant parties and action plans developed to improve practice.

There were quality assurance systems in place to drive continuous quality improvement which included regular audits and satisfaction surveys. It was good to note that a near-miss file had recently been introduced.

There was a system to ensure medical device alerts, safety bulletins, serious adverse incident alerts and staffing alerts were appropriately reviewed and actioned.

Discussion with the registered 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 monthly monitoring visit 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, trust representatives and RQIA to read.

There was evidence of managerial staff being provided with additional training as it was identified. Learning from complaints, incidents and feedback was integrated into practice and fed into a cycle of continuous quality improvement.

There was a clear organisational structure and all staff were aware of their roles, responsibility and accountability. This was outlined in the home's Statement of Purpose and Residents Guide. The registered manager confirmed that the registered provider was kept informed regarding the day to day running of the home.

The registered manager reported that the management and control of operations within the home was in accordance with the regulatory framework. Inspection of the premises confirmed that the RQIA certificate of registration and employer's liability insurance certificate were displayed.

Review of governance arrangements within the home and the evidence provided within the returned QIP confirmed that the registered provider largely responds to regulatory matters in a timely manner.

Review of records and discussion with the registered manager and staff confirmed that any adult safeguarding issues were managed appropriately and that reflective learning had or would take place. The registered manager confirmed that there were effective working relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

The home had a whistleblowing policy and procedure in place and discussion with staff established that they were knowledgeable regarding this. The registered manager stated that staff could also access line management to raise concerns and that they will offer support to staff.

Discussion with staff confirmed that there were good working relationships within the home and that management were responsive to suggestions and/or concerns raised.

The registered manager advised that there were arrangements in place for managing identified lack of competency and poor performance for all staff. There were also open and transparent methods of working and effective working relationships with internal and external stakeholders.

One staff member spoken to said:

“(The registered manager and assistant manager) are available every day to ask (them) questions.”

One completed questionnaire was returned to RQIA anonymously. The respondent described their level of satisfaction with this aspect of care as unsatisfied. This was shared with the assistant manager on 22 January 2018.

Areas of good practice

There were examples of good practice found throughout the inspection in relation to governance arrangements, quality improvement and maintaining good working relationships.

Areas for improvement

No areas for improvement were identified during the inspection.

	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 Andrea Diesel, Registered 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 compliance with The Residential Care Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005

<p>Area for improvement 1</p> <p>Ref: Regulation 20. – (3)</p> <p>Stated: Second time</p> <p>To be completed by: 31 March 2018</p>	<p>The registered person shall carry out a competency and capability assessment with any person who is given the responsibility of being in charge of the home for any period of time in the absence of the registered manager.</p> <p>Ref: 6.4</p>
	<p>Response by registered person detailing the actions taken: Competency and capability assessment forms have been developed and staff has been assessed accordingly.</p>



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