

Unannounced Care Inspection

Name of Establishment:	Belmont
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1.0 General Information

Name of Establishment:	Belmont Care Home
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Registered Organisation/ Registered Provider:	Four Seasons Health Care Ltd
Registered Manager:	Mrs Victoria Lane
Person in Charge of the Home at the Time of Inspection:	Mrs Victoria Lane
Categories of Care:	NH – I, PH, PH(E) and TI
Number of Registered Places:	48
Number of Patients Accommodated on Day of Inspection:	41
Scale of Charges (per week):	£581 - £592
Date and Type of Previous Inspection:	9 December 2013 Unannounced primary care inspection
Date and Time of Inspection:	9 March 2015 10:40 – 13:30 hours
Name of Inspector:	Lyn Buckley

2.0 Introduction

The Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA) is empowered under The Health and Personal Social Services (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 to inspect nursing homes. A minimum of two inspections per year are required.

This is a report of an inspection to assess the quality of services being provided. The report details the extent to which the standards measured during inspection are being met.

3.0 Purpose of the Inspection

The purpose of this inspection was to consider whether the service provided to patients was in accordance with their assessed needs and preferences and was in compliance with legislative requirements, minimum standards and other good practice indicators. This was achieved through a process of analysis and evaluation of available evidence.

The Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority aims to use inspection to support providers in improving the quality of services, rather than only seeking compliance with regulations and standards. For this reason, annual inspection involves in-depth examination of a limited number of aspects of service provision, rather than a less detailed inspection of all aspects of the service.

The aims of the inspection were to examine the policies, practices and monitoring arrangements for the provision of nursing homes, and to determine the Provider's compliance with the following:

- The HPSS (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003
- The Nursing Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005
- The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety's (DHSSPS) Nursing Homes Minimum Standards (2008)
- Other published standards which guide best practice may also be referenced during the Inspection process

4.0 Methods/Process

Specific methods/processes used in this inspection include the following:

- discussion with the registered manager
- discussion with staff
- discussion with patients individually and with others in groups
- consultation with relatives
- review of a sample of staff training records
- review of a sample of staff duty rotas
- review of a sample of care records
- review of the complaints
- observation during a tour of the premises
- evaluation and feedback.

5.0 Consultation Process

Patients	10 patients individually and with the majority of others in smaller groups
Staff	5
Relatives	0
Visiting Professionals	0

During the course of the inspection, the inspector spoke with:

Questionnaires were provided by the inspector, during the inspection, to patients, their representatives and staff to seek their views regarding the quality of the service.

Issued To	Number Issued	Number Returned
Patients	6	2 plus one completed with 9 patients as a group
Relatives/Representatives	6	3
Staff	10	8

6.0 Inspection Focus

Prior to the inspection, the responsible person/registered manager completed a selfassessment using the standard criteria outlined in the theme inspected. The comments provided by the responsible person/registered manager in the self-assessment were not altered in any way by RQIA. The self-assessment is included as appendix one in this report.

However, due to workload pressures and contingency measures within the Regulation Directorate, the themes/standards within the self-assessment were not inspected on this occasion.

This inspection sought to establish the level of compliance being achieved with respect to the following DHSSPS Nursing Homes Minimum Standard and to assess progress with the issues raised during and since the previous inspection:

Standard 19 - Continence Management

Patients receive individual continence management and support.

The inspector has rated the home's Compliance Level against each criterion and also against each standard.

The table below sets out the definitions that RQIA has used to categorise the service's performance:

	Guidance - Compliance Statements		
Compliance Statement	Definition	Resulting Action in Inspection Report	
0 - Not applicable		A reason must be clearly stated in the assessment contained within the inspection report.	
1 - Unlikely to become compliant		A reason must be clearly stated in the assessment contained within the inspection report.	
2 - Not compliant	Compliance could not be demonstrated by the date of the inspection.	In most situations this will result in a requirement or recommendation being made within the inspection report.	
3 - Moving towards compliance	Compliance could not be demonstrated by the date of the inspection. However, the service could demonstrate a convincing plan for full compliance by the end of the Inspection year.	In most situations this will result in a requirement or recommendation being made within the inspection report.	
4 - Substantially compliant	Arrangements for compliance were demonstrated during the inspection. However, appropriate systems for regular monitoring, review and revision are not yet in place.	In most situations this will result in a recommendation, or in some circumstances a requirement, being made within the inspection report.	
5 - Compliant	Arrangements for compliance were demonstrated during the inspection. There are appropriate systems in place for regular monitoring, review and any necessary revisions to be undertaken.	In most situations this will result in an area of good practice being identified and comment being made within the inspection report.	

7.0 Profile of Service

Belmont Care Home is a two storey facility situated in a residential area just off the Holywood Road in Belfast. The nursing home is owned and operated by Four Seasons health Care Ltd. The registered manager is Mrs Tori Lane who has been in post since February 2012.

Accommodation for patients is provided on both floors of the home. Communal lounge and dining areas are provided on each floor with other smaller seating areas catering for various needs. Communal sanitary facilities are available throughout the home.

A central courtyard garden area is accessible from the ground floor. Access to the first floor is via a passenger lift and stairs.

The home also provides for catering and laundry services on the ground floor. Car parking is available to the front and side of the home.

The home is registered to provide care for a maximum of 48 persons under the following categories of care:

Nursing care (NH)

- I old age not falling into any other category
- PH physical disability other than sensory impairment under 65
- PH(E) physical disability other than sensory impairment over 65 years
- TI terminally ill

8.0 Executive Summary

The unannounced inspection of Belmont Care Home was undertaken by Lyn Buckley on 9 March 2015, between 10:40 and 13:00 hours. The inspection was facilitated by the registered manager, Mrs Tori Lane. Mrs Lane was provided with verbal feedback at the conclusion of the inspection

As a result of the previous care inspection one requirement and three recommendations were made. It was evidenced that the requirement and recommendations had been complied with. For details refer to the section immediately following this summary.

The focus of this inspection was Standard 19: Continence Management and to assess progress with the issues raised during and since the previous inspection on 28 February 2014.

Inspection findings

Review of four patients' care records evidenced that bladder and bowel continence assessments were undertaken at the time of admission to the home. The outcome of these assessments, including the type of continence products to be used, was incorporated into the patients' care plans on continence care.

The care plans reviewed addressed the patients' assessed needs in regard to continence management. Discussion with the registered manager, nursing and care staff and review of training records confirmed that staff were trained in continence/incontinence care.

Additional areas also examined included:

- care practices
- complaints
- patient finance questionnaire
- NMC registrations
- patients' and relatives' comments
- staff comments
- staffing
- environment.

Refer to section 11 for details of the inspection findings.

Conclusion

During the inspection staff were observed to treat the patients with dignity and respect. Good relationships were evident between patients and staff. Patients spoken with were complimentary regarding the care they received and the management of the home.

Based on the evidenced examined the inspector concluded that the delivery of care to patients was safe, effective and compassionate.

Standard 19: continence management was assessed as compliant. Refer to section 10 for details.

As a result of this inspection one recommendation were made. Refer to section 10(19.1) for details

The inspector would like to thank the patients, the registered manager and staff for their assistance and co-operation throughout the inspection process.

The inspector would also like to thank all those who completed questionnaires.

9.0 Follow-Up on Previous Issues

No.	Regulation Ref.	Requirements	Action Taken - As Confirmed During This Inspection	Inspector's Validation of Compliance
1.	15(1)&(2)	 The registered manager must ensure that ; The patient's assessment of need is wholly and comprehensively completed at the time of admission to the home The assessment of need is updated as the patient's condition changes The assessment of need is updated at least annually 	Review of care records and discussion with the registered manager evidenced that this requirement had been complied with.	Compliant

No.	Minimum Standard Ref.	Recommendations	Action Taken - As Confirmed During This Inspection	Inspector's Validation of Compliance
1.	5.6	 It is recommended that the registered manager ensures; that a record of patient's bowel function is recorded in daily progress records. 	Review of records and discussion with the registered manager evidenced that this recommendation had been complained with.	Compliant.
2.	5.3	 It is recommended that the registered manager ensures; that a care plan is established to inform staff of actions to be taken to manage behaviours which challenge in respect of patient 'A'. 	Review of evidence provided and discussion with the registered manager confirmed that this recommendation had been complied with.	Compliant.
3.	25.2	 It is recommended that the registered manager ensures; there is adequate lighting in the lift for patients with visual impairment. The registered person should refer to The CIBSE Lighting Guide 2 document (Hospitals and Health Care Buildings). This provides guidance on appropriate lighting levels in lift cars. 	Observations evidenced that this recommendation had been complied with.	Compliant.

9.1 Follow up on any issues/concerns raised with RQIA since the previous inspection such as complaints or safeguarding investigations.

It is not in the remit of RQIA to investigate complaints made by or on the behalf of individuals, as this is the responsibility of the providers and commissioners of care. However, if RQIA is notified of a breach of regulations or associated standards, it will review the matter and take whatever appropriate action is required; this may include an inspection of the home. Details regarding complaints can be found in section 11.2

Since the previous inspection RQIA have been notified, by the home, of ongoing investigations in relation to potential or alleged safeguarding of vulnerable adults (SOVA) issues. The relevant Health and Social Care Trust (HSCT) safeguarding team/s are managing SOVA issues under the regional adult protection policy/procedures.

Following discussion with the registered manager, RQIA was satisfied that the registered manager had dealt with SOVA issues in the appropriate manner and in accordance with regional guidelines and legislative requirements.

10.0 Inspection Findings

STANDARD 19 - CONTINENCE MANAGEMENT Patients receive individual continence management and support

Criterion Assessed: 19.1 Where patients require continence management and support, bladder and bowel continence assessments are carried out. Care plans are developed and agreed with patients and representatives, and, where relevant, the continence professional. The care plans meet the individual's assessed needs and comfort. Inspection Findings:	COMPLIANCE LEVEL
Review of four patients' care records evidenced that bladder and bowel continence assessments were undertaken at the time of admission to the home. The outcome of these assessments, including the type of continence products to be used, was incorporated into the patients' care plans on continence care. The care plans reviewed addressed the patients' assessed needs in regard to continence management. However, in two of the care records registered nurses had written one care plan to manage the care for two identified needs. It is recommended that care plans are devised to manage and direct care delivery for each identified need in relation to urinary catheters and bowels. There was evidence that bladder and bowel assessments and continence care plans were reviewed and updated on a monthly basis or more often as deemed appropriate. The promotion of continence, skin care, fluid requirements and patients' dignity were addressed in the care plans inspected. Urinalysis was undertaken as required by nursing staff and patients were referred to their GPs appropriately. Discussion with staff and observation during the inspection evidenced that there were adequate stocks of continence products available in the nursing home.	Compliant.

STANDARD 19 - CONTINENCE MANAGEMENT Patients receive individual continence management and support	
Criterion Assessed: 19.2 There are up-to-date guidelines on promotion of bladder and bowel continence, and management of bladder	COMPLIANCE LEVEL
and bowel incontinence. These guidelines also cover the use of urinary catheters and stoma drainage pouches, are readily available to staff and are used on a daily basis.	
Inspection Findings:	
 The inspector can confirm that the following policies and procedures were in place and available to staff: continence management / incontinence management 	Compliant
 stoma care catheter care. 	
 A resource file on the management for continence/incontinence was available to staff and included the following guidance: RCN continence care guidelines British Geriatrics Society Continence Care in Residential and Nursing Homes NICE guidelines on the management of urinary incontinence NICE guidelines on the management of faecal incontinence. 	

STANDARD 19 - CONTINENCE MANAGEMENT Patients receive individual continence management and support	
Criterion Assessed: 19.3 There is information on promotion of continence available in an accessible format for patients and their representatives.	COMPLIANCE LEVEL
Inspection Findings:	
Not inspected on this occasion.	Not assessed.
Criterion Assessed: 19.4 Nurses have up-to-date knowledge and expertise in urinary catheterisation and the management of stoma appliances.	COMPLIANCE LEVEL
Inspection Findings:	
Discussion with the registered manager, nursing and care staff and review of training records confirmed that staff were trained in continence/incontinence care.	Compliant.
A number of registered nurses in the home were deemed competent in male catheterisation. Those who required training could access this through the Trust.	
The registered manager provided 'in house' training for care staff on the management of bladder and bowels including catheter care using the organisation's staff workbooks on the topics.	
Stoma management was addressed on an individual patient basis with support from the Trust's stoma nurse and product providers.	

Inspector's overall assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the standard assessed	Compliant

11.0 Additional Areas Examined

11.1 Care Practices

During the inspection staff were noted to treat the patients with dignity and respect. Good relationships were evident between patients and staff.

Patients were well presented with their clothing suitable for the season. Staff were observed to respond to patients' requests promptly. The demeanour of patients indicated that they were relaxed in their surroundings.

Moving and handling techniques using a hoist were observed and found to be appropriate.

Staff were observed transporting patients to the dining room for lunch by wheelchair. The inspector intervened on one occasion as the wheelchair footplates were missing and the risk of the patient injuring their feet/legs was observed. Staff immediately apologised to the patient and went back to the bedroom to collect and fit the footplates. Staff were aware of why footplates had to be in place but stated they had 'forgotten'. During feedback the registered manager confirmed that the care staff had reported the incident to her and that she would address this issue with all staff following the inspection.

11.2 Complaints

It is not in the remit of RQIA to investigate complaints made by or on the behalf of individuals, as this is the responsibility of the providers and commissioners of care. However, if RQIA is notified of a breach of regulations or associated standards, it will review the matter and take whatever appropriate action is required; this may include an inspection of the home.

A complaints questionnaire was forwarded by the Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA) to the home for completion. The evidence provided in the returned questionnaire indicated that complaints were being pro-actively managed.

The inspector discussed the management of complaints with the registered manager and reviewed the complaint record. This evidenced that complaints were managed in a timely manner and in accordance with legislative requirements.

11.3 Patient Finance Questionnaire

Prior to the inspection a patient financial questionnaire was forwarded by RQIA to the home for completion. The evidence provided in the returned questionnaire indicated that patients' monies were being managed in accordance with legislation and best practice guidance.

11.4 NMC Declaration

Prior to the inspection the registered manager was asked to complete a proforma to confirm that all nurses employed were registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Council of the United Kingdom (NMC).

The evidence provided in the returned proforma indicated that all nurses, including the registered manager, were appropriately registered with the NMC.

Review of the NMC registration record confirmed that the registration status of nurses employed by the home was checked at the time of expiry.

11.5 Patients and relatives comments

During the inspection the inspector spoke to 10 patients individually and with the majority of others in smaller groups. Patients expressed high levels of satisfaction with the standard of care, facilities and services provided in the home. A number of patients were unable to express their views verbally. These patients indicated by positive gestures that they were happy living in the home. Examples of patients' comments were as follows:

"I am very happy with everything here." "food is good." "the home is clean and tidy." "the manager is a lovely girl and not afraid to get stuck in"

"Best home in East Belfast and Holywood".

One patient stated that they preferred to be at home but that this was nothing to do with the home or staff.

There were no concerns raised by patients during this inspection.

Six questionnaires with prepaid envelopes were left with the registered manager for distribution to relatives. Three were returned. All three respondents were positive in relation to the standards of care, attitude of staff and management and services provided.

One relative recorded a concern regarding staffing levels at weekends. Refer to section 11.7 for findings on staffing levels. Another relative commented 'I have the utmost respect and admiration for all the staff in Belmont care home. Not only have I seen how they care for my ... but for all the other residents as well'.

11.6 Staff Comments

During the inspection the inspector spoke with five staff individually and seven staff completed questionnaires. Staff responses in discussion and in the returned questionnaires indicated that staff received an induction, completed mandatory training, completed additional training in relation to the inspection focus and were very satisfied or satisfied that patients were afforded privacy, treated with dignity and respect and were provided with care based on need and wishes.

There were no concerns raised by staff during this inspection.

11.7 Staffing

The registered manager confirmed the nursing and care staffing levels at the time of the inspection to be as follows:

Morning shift:	3 registered nurses and 6 care assistants plus 1 on induction training
Afternoon shift:	3 registered nurses and 6 care assistants
Night duty shift:	2 registered nurses and 2 care assistants

Plus 1 care assistant from 16:00- 22:00 hours.

These staffing levels were evidenced by the review of the nursing and care staff duty rota for the week commencing 2 February and 9 March 2015.

Review of duty rotas, discussion with patients, relatives and staff; and observation of care delivery confirmed that staffing levels met the assessed needs of the patients.

11.7 Environment

The inspector undertook an inspection of the premises and viewed the majority of the patients' bedrooms, bathroom, shower and toilet facilities and communal areas. The home was comfortable and all areas were maintained to a high standard of hygiene.

Discussion with the registered manager confirmed that a residents committee was active within the home. This committee assisted management in making plans to improve many services within the home such as; the décor, the menu, the garden and the provision of activities. This is good practice.

12.0 Quality Improvement Plan

The details of the Quality Improvement Plan appended to this report were discussed with Mrs Tori lane, registered manager, as part of the inspection process.

The timescales for completion commence from the date of inspection.

The registered provider/manager is required to record comments on the Quality Improvement Plan.

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

Enquiries relating to this report should be addressed to:

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Section A	
Section A Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
Criterion 5.1	
 At the time of each patient's admission to the home, a nurse carries out and records an initial assessment, using a validated assessment tool, and draws up an agreed plan of care to meet the patient's immediate care needs. Information received from the care management team informs this assessment. 	
 Criterion 5.2 A comprehensive, holistic assessment of the patient's care needs using validated assessment tools is completed within 11 days of admission. Criterion 8.1 	
 Nutritional screening is carried out with patients on admission, using a validated tool such as the 'Malnutrition Universal Screening Tool (MUST)' or equivalent. Criterion 11.1 	
• A pressure ulcer risk assessment that includes nutritional, pain and continence assessments combined with clinical judgement is carried out on all patients prior to admission to the home where possible and on admission to the home.	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulations12(1)and (4);13(1); 15(1) and 19 (1) (a) schedule 3	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
Before admission, the Home Manager or Sister carries out a pre admission assessment. The resident is visited personally and information is taken from them and/or their representative where possible. Care records are viewed and reports are requested from the Care Management/Hospital team.	Compliant
Risk assessments such as the Braden Tool are carried out, if possible, at this stage. Following a review of all this information, a decision is made in regard to the Homes ability to meet the needs of this resident.	
On admission to the Home, an identified nurse completes initial assessments using a patient centred approach. The nurse consults all the information gathered throughout the pre admission assessment whilst communicating with the	

resident and/or their representative.

There are two documents completed within twelve hours of admission – an "Admission Assessment" which includes
photography consent, record of personal effects and a record of "My Preferences" - and a "Needs" assessment which
includes 16 areas of need. The additional comments section within each of the 16 sections includes additional
necessary information that is required to formulate a person centred plan of care for the resident
In addition to these documents, the nurse completes the following risk assessments on admission. Skin assessment
using the Braden Tool, a Body map, an initial wound assessment (if required), a moving and handling assessment, a falls risk assessment, bed rail assessment, a pain assessment and nutritional assessments including the MUST tool,
FSHC nutritional and oral assessment. A continence assessment and bowel assessment is completed within 7 days of
admission.
Following discussion with the resident and/or representative, and using the nurses clinical judgement, a plan of care is
developed to meet the residents' needs in relation to identified risks, wishes and expectations. This can be evidenced
in the care plan and consent forms.
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The Home Manager and Regional Manager will complete audits on a regular basis to quality assure this process.

Section B	
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their care needs that commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is planned and agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
Criterion 5.3 A named nurse has responsibility for discussing, planning and agreeing nursing interventions to meet 	
identified assessed needs with individual patients' and their representatives. The nursing care plan clearly demonstrates the promotion of maximum independence and rehabilitation and, where appropriate, takes into account advice and recommendations from relevant health professional.	
 Criterion 11.2 There are referral arrangements to obtain advice and support from relevant health professionals who have the required expertise in tissue viability. 	
 Criterion 11.3 Where a patient is assessed as 'at risk' of developing pressure ulcers, a documented pressure ulcer prevention and treatment programme that meets the individual's needs and comfort is drawn up and agreed with relevant healthcare professionals. Criterion 11.8 	
• There are referral arrangements to relevant health professionals who have the required knowledge and expertise to diagnose, treat and care for patients who have lower limb or foot ulceration.	
 Criterion 8.3 There are referral arrangements for the dietician to assess individual patient's nutritional requirements and draw up a nutritional treatment plan. The nutritional treatment plan is developed taking account of recommendations from relevant health professionals, and these plans are adhered to. 	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulations13 (1);14(1); 15 and 16	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
A named nurse completes a comprehensive and holistic assessment of the residents' needs using the assessment tools as cited in Section A, within 7 days of admission. The named nurse devises care plans to meet the identified	Compliant

needs, in consultation with the resident and/or their representative. The care plans demonstrate the promotion of maximum independence and focuses on what the resident can do for themselves, as well as what assistance is required. Any recommendations made by other members of the multidisciplinary team, are included in the care plan The care plans have goals that are realistic and achievable. Registered nurses in the home are fully aware of the process of referral to a TVN where necessary. The nurses can either make a referral through the GP or can refer directly through the Call Management system. The contact details of Call Management are widely available in the home. Referrals are also made via this process in relation to residents who have lower limb or foot ulceration to either TVN or podiatry. If necessary, a further referral is made to a vascular surgeon by the GP, TVN or podiatrist.	
When a resident is assessed as being "at risk" of developing pressure ulcers, a Pressure ulcer management and treatment plan is commenced. A care plan will be devised to include skin care, frequency of repositioning, mattress type and setting. The care plan will give due consideration to advice received from other multi disciplinary members. The treatment plan is agreed with the resident and/or their representative, Care Management and relevant members of the Multidisciplinary Team. The Regional Manager is informed via the monthly report and during their Reg 29 visit.	
The Registered Nurse makes a decision to refer a resident to a dietician based on the score of the MUST tool and their clinical judgement. Staff contact the GP and request that a referral is made. The dietician may contact the Home before they visit and offer advice. All advice, treatment or recommendations are recorded on the Multidisciplinary team form with a subsequent care plan being compiled or current care plan being updated to reflect the advice and recommendations. The care plan is reviewed and evaluated on a monthly basis or more often if necessary. Residents, representatives, staff in the home and other members of the Multidisciplinary team are kept informed of any changes.	

Section C	
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their care needs commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is planned ar agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
 Criterion 5.4 Re-assessment is an on-going process that is carried out daily and at identified, agreed time intervals as recorded in nursing care plans. 	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulations 13 (1) and 16	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
The Needs Assessment, risk assessments and care plans are reviewed and evaluated at a minimum of once a month or more often if there is a change in the residents' condition. The care plan dictates the frequency of review and re assessment, with the agreed time interval recorded on the plan of care. The resident is assessed on an on-going daily basis with any changes noted in the daily progress notes and care plan evaluation forms. Any changes are reported on a 24 hour shift report for the Home Managers attention. The Manager and Regional Manager will complete audits to quality assure the above process and compile action plans if any deficit is noted.	Compliant

Section D	
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their care commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is plan agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
 Criterion 5.5 All nursing interventions, activities and procedures are supported by research evidence and guidelines as defined by professional bodies and national standard setting organisations. Criterion 11.4 A validated pressure ulcer grading tool is used to screen patients who have skin damage and an appropriate treatment plan implemented. Criterion 8.4 There are up to date nutritional guidelines that are in use by staff on a daily basis. 	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulation 12 (1) and 13(1) Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
The Home refers to up to date guidelines as defined by professional bodies and national standard setting organisations when planning care. Guidelines from NICE, GAIN, RCN, NIPEC,PHA and RQIA are available for staff to refer to. The validated pressure ulcer grading tool used by the Home to screen residents who have skin damage is the E.P.U.A.P. grading system.	Compliant
If a pressure ulcer is present on admission or a resident develops a pressure ulcer during admission, then an initial wound assessment is completed with a plan of care which includes the grade of pressure ulcer, dressing regime, how to clean the wound, frequency of repositioning, mattress type and time interval for review. Thereafter, an on-going wound assessment and care plan evaluation form is completed at each dressing change. The care plan is adjusted to include any changes to the dressing regime as required.	

relation to nutritional care, diabetic care, care of subcutaneous fluids and care of percutaneous endoscopic	
gastrostomy (PEG)	

Section E	
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their care needs that commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is planned and agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
 Criterion 5.6 Contemporaneous nursing records, in accordance with NMC guidelines, are kept of all nursing interventions, activities and procedures that are carried out in relation to each patient. These records include outcomes for patients. Criterion 12.11 A record is kept of the meals provided in sufficient detail to enable any person inspecting it to judge whether the diet for each patient is satisfactory. Criterion 12.12 Where a patient's care plan requires, or when a patient is unable, or chooses not to eat a meal, a record 	
is kept of all food and drinks consumed. Where a patient is eating excessively, a similar record is kept. All such occurrences are discussed with the patient are reported to the nurse in charge. Where necessary, a referral is made to the relevant professionals and a record kept of the action taken. Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulation/s 12 (1) & (4), 19(1) (a) schedule 3 (3) (k) and 25	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
Nursing records are kept of all nursing interventions, activities and procedures that are carried out in relation to each resident. These records are contemporaneous and are in accordance with NMC guidelines. All care delivered includes an evaluation and outcome plan. Nurses have access to policies and procedures in relation to record keeping and have their own copies of the NMC guidelines – Record keeping: Guidance for nurses and midwives.	Compliant
Records of the meals provided for each resident at each mealtime are recorded on a daily menu choice form. The Catering Manager also keeps records of the food served and includes any special dietary needs.	
Residents who are assessed as being "at risk" of malnutrition, dehydration or eating excessively have all their food and fluids recorded in detail on a daily basis using a FSHC food record booklet or fluid record booklet. These charts are recorded over a 24 hour period with the fluid intake totalled at the end of the 24 hour period. The nurse utilises the	

information contained in these charts in their daily evaluation. Any deficits are identified with appropriate action being	
taken and with referrals made to the relevant Multidisciplinary team member as necessary. Any changes to the	l
residents plan of care is discussed with them and/or their representative.	l
Care records are audited on a regular basis by the Home Manager with an action plan compiled to address any deficits	l
or areas for improvement – this is discussed during supervision sessions with each nurse as necessary.	l

Section F

Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their care needs that commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is planned and agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.

Criterion 5.7

 The outcome of care delivered is monitored and recorded on a day-to-day basis and, in addition, is subject to documented review at agreed time intervals and evaluation, using benchmarks where appropriate, with the involvement of patients and their representatives. Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulation 13 (1) and 16 	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
The outcome of care delivered is monitored and recorded on a daily basis on the daily progress notes with at least a minimum of one entry during the day and one entry at night. The outcome of care is reviewed as indicated on the plan of care or more frequently if there is a change in the residents' condition or if there are recommendations made by any member of the Multidisciplinary team. Residents and/or their representatives are involved in the evaluation process.	Compliant

Section G	
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
Criterion 5.8	
 Patients are encouraged and facilitated to participate in all aspects of reviewing outcomes of care and to attend, or contribute to, formal multidisciplinary review meetings arranged by local HSC Trusts as appropriate. 	
 Criterion 5.9 The results of all reviews and the minutes of review meetings are recorded and, where required, changes are made to the nursing care plan with the agreement of patients and representatives. Patients, and their representatives, are kept informed of progress toward agreed goals. 	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulation/s 13 (1) and 17 (1)	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
Care Management reviews are generally held 6-8 weeks post admission and annually thereafter. Reviews can also be arranged in response to changing needs, expressions of dissatisfaction with care or at the request of the resident and/or representative. The Trust are responsible for organising these reviews and inviting the resident and/or their representative. A member of nursing staff attends these reviews. Copies of the minutes of the reviews are sent to the resident, representatives and a copy is held in the residents' file. Any recommendations made are actioned by the Home, with care plans reviewed to reflect these changes.	Compliant
The resident and/or representative is kept informed of progress towards the agreed goals	

Section H	• .• .
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
 Criterion 12.1 Patients are provided with a nutritious and varied diet, which meets their individual and recorded dietary needs and preferences. Full account is taken of relevant guidance documents, or guidance provided by dieticians and other professionals and disciplines. 	
Criterion 12.3	
 The menu either offers patients a choice of meal at each mealtime or, when the menu offers only one option and the patient does not want this, an alternative meal is provided. A choice is also offered to those on therapeutic or specific diets. 	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulation/s 12 (1) & (4), 13 (1) and 14(1) Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this	Section compliance
section The Home follows FSHC policy and procedures in relation to nutrition and follows best practise guidelines as cited in	level
Section D. Registered nurses fully assess each residents' dietary needs on admission and review on an on-going basis.	Compliant
The care plan reflects the type of diet, any special dietary needs, personal preferences in regard to likes and dislikes, any specialised equipment required, if the resident is independent or requires some level of assistance and recommendations made by the Dietician or Speech and Language Therapist. The plan of care is evaluated on a monthly basis or more frequently if required.	
The Home has a 4 weekly menu which is reviewed on a 6 monthly basis taking into account seasonal foods. The menu is compiled following consultation with the residents and/or their representatives, residents meetings, one to one meetings and food questionnaires. The PHA document "Nutrition and Menu Checklist for Residential and Nursing homes" is used to ensure the menu is nutritious and varied.	
The Home has recently commenced "Belmont Taste Days" on which one or two new dishes are cooked and our residents can sample these. These dishes may become part of the menu depending on the outcome. This is an	

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afternoon activity and is in addition to the meals served that day. Copies of instructions and recommendations from the dietician and speech and language therapist are made available to the kitchen staff, along with a diet notification form which informs the kitchen staff of each residents specific dietary needs.	
Residents are offered a choice of two meals and desserts at each meal time, if the resident does not want a meal from the daily menu, an alternative of their choice is provided. The menu offers the same choice, as far as possible, to those who are on therapeutic or specific diets. Each resident is offered a choice of meal which is recorded on the daily menu sheet. A variety of condiments, sauces and fluids are available at each meal. Daily menus are displayed in each dining room, with the weekly menu displayed on each table and in the foyer. The four weekly menu is displayed in a folder in the foyer	

Section I	
Standard 5: Patients receive safe, effective nursing care based on a holistic assessment of their commences prior to admission to the home and continues following admission. Nursing care is agreed with the patient, is accurately recorded and outcomes of care are regularly reviewed.	
Criterion 8.6	
 Nurses have up to date knowledge and skills in managing feeding techniques for patients who have swallowing difficulties, and in ensuring that instructions drawn up by the speech and language therapist are adhered to. 	
Criterion 12.5	
 Meals are provided at conventional times, hot and cold drinks and snacks are available at customary intervals and fresh drinking water is available at all times. Criterion 12.10 	
 Staff are aware of any matters concerning patients' eating and drinking as detailed in each individual care plan, and there are adequate numbers of staff present when meals are served to ensure: risks when patients are eating and drinking are managed required assistance is provided necessary aids and equipment are available for use. 	
Criterion 11.7	
• Where a patient requires wound care, nurses have expertise and skills in wound management that includes the ability to carry out a wound assessment and apply wound care products and dressings.	
Nursing Home Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 : Regulation/s 13(1) and 20	
Provider's assessment of the nursing home's compliance level against the criteria assessed within this section	Section compliance level
Registered nurses have received training on dysphagia and enteral feeding techniques (PEG) on 28/06/13, 26/07/13 and 04/10/13 Further training on dysphagia and feeding techniques was given to care and kitchen staff on 29/01/14,17/04/14 and further sessions have been organised for 14/05/14	Compliant
The Speech and Language therapist and dietician also give informal advice and guidance when visiting the Home. Nurses refer to up to date guidance such as NICE Guidelines "Nutrition Support in Adults" and NPSA Document " Dysphagia Diet Food Texture descriptors" All recommendations made by the Speech and Language therapist are	

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incorporated into the care plan to include type of diet, consistency of fluids, position for feeding, equipment to use and assistance required. The kitchen receive a copy of the Speech and Language therapist recommendations and this is kept on file for reference by the kitchen. Special dietary requirements are displayed on a white board in the dry store.	
Meals are served at the following times:	
Breakfast 9.30am – 10.30am	
Morning tea – 11am	
Lunch – 1pm	
Afternoon tea – 3pm	
Evening tea – 5pm	
Supper 7.30pm – 9pm	
There are variations to the above if a resident requests to have their meals outside of these times. Hot and cold drinks and a variety of snacks are available throughout the day and night and on request. There are foods available outside of these times for residents who require modified or fortified diets. Cold drinks including fresh water are available at all times in the lounges and bedrooms, these are replenished on a regular basis.	
Any matters concerning a residents eating and drinking are detailed on each individual care plan – including for e.g. likes and dislikes, type of diet, consistent of fluid, any special equipment required and if assistance is required. A diet notification form is completed for each resident with a copy given to the kitchen and one held on the residents file. Meals are not served unless a staff member is present in the dining room. Residents who require supervision, full or part assistance are given individual attention and are assisted at a pace that is suitable to them. Appropriate aids such as plate guards and specialised cutlery are available as necessary and indicated in the plan of care.	
Each nurse has completed an education e-learning module on pressure area care. The Home has a link nurse who has received enhanced training, to provide support and education to other nurses within the home on an ad hoc basis. Central training on wound care related topics are arranged for nurses requiring additional support.	

All nurses within the Home have a competency assessment completed. Competency assessments have a quality assurance element built into the process

PROVIDER'S OVERALL ASSESSMENT OF THE NURSING HOME'S COMPLIANCE LEVEL AGAINST	COMPLIANCE LEVEL
STANDARD 5	Compliant



Quality Improvement Plan

Secondary Unannounced Care Inspection

Belmont Care Home

9 March 2015

The areas where the service needs to improve, as identified during this inspection visit, are detailed in the inspection report and Quality Improvement Plan.

The specific actions set out in the Quality Improvement Plan were discussed with Mrs Tori Lane, registered manager, either during or after the inspection visit.

Any matters that require completion within 28 days of the inspection visit have also been set out in separate correspondence to the registered persons.

Registered providers / managers should note that failure to comply with regulations may lead to further enforcement and/ or prosecution action as set out in The HPSS (Quality, Improvement and Regulation) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003.

It is the responsibility of the registered provider / manager to ensure that all requirements and recommendations contained within the Quality Improvement Plan 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 your premises. The registration is not transferable so that in the event of any future application to alter, extend or to sell the premises the RQIA would apply standards current at the time of that application.

Recommendations

These recommendations are based on The Nursing Homes Minimum Standards (2008), research or recognised sources. They promote current good practice and if adopted by the Registered Person may enhance service, quality and delivery.

No.	Minimum Standard Reference	Recommendations	Number Of	Details Of Action Taken By	Timescale
1	19.1	Care plans should be devised to manage	Times Stated	Registered Person(S)	Du and of April
	19.1	and direct care delivery for each identified need in relation to urinary catheters and bowels. Ref: Section 10(19.1)	One	This has been addressed. We now have separate careplans to manage and deliver the care required for urinary catheters and bowel management.	By end of April 2015.

Please complete the following table to demonstrate that this Quality Improvement Plan has been completed by the registered manager and approved by the responsible person / identified responsible person:

NAME OF REGISTERED MANAGER COMPLETING QIP	Tory Lane
NAME OF RESPONSIBLE PERSON / IDENTIFIED RESPONSIBLE PERSON	Dr. Claire Dourton
APPROVING QIP	Dr Claire Royston

QIP Position Based on Comments from Registered Persons	Yes	Inspector	Date
Response assessed by inspector as acceptable			
Further information requested from provider			



QIP Position Based on Comments from Registered Persons	Yes	Inspector	Date
Response assessed by inspector as acceptable	yes	Lyn Buckley	26/05/15
Further information requested from provider			