

# Announced Variation Inspection Report

## 26 February 2018



## Rathfriland Manor (1494)

**Type of service: Nursing (NH)**

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**Inspector: Gavin Doherty**

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## 1.0 Service details

<b>Organisation/Registered Provider:</b> Manor Healthcare Ltd/ Mr Eoghain King	<b>Registered Manager:</b> Mrs Rachel McCaffrey
<b>Person in charge at the time of inspection:</b> Mrs Rachel McCaffrey	<b>Number of registered places:</b> 53

## 2.0 Inspection summary

An announced inspection took place on 26 February 2018 from 13:30 to 14:30.

This inspection was underpinned by

- The Nursing Homes Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005
- Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (DHSSPS) Care Standards for Nursing Homes, April 2015

The purpose of the inspection was to inspect the proposed structural changes to the home, relating to variation application reference VA010873.

The following areas were examined during the inspection:

- The old Laundry facilities which are now vacated, as a new larger external Laundry facility has been commissioned. The above variation has been submitted to convert this space into an additional bedroom suite with full en-suite facilities.

The findings of this report will provide the provider with the necessary information to assist them to fulfil their responsibilities.

## 3.0 Inspection outcome

	Regulations	Standards
<b>Total number of areas for improvement</b>	0	0

This inspection resulted in no areas for improvement being identified. Findings of the inspection were discussed with Mrs Rachel McCaffrey, Registered Manager as part of the inspection process and can be found in the main body of the report.

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

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

## 4.0 The inspection

The inspector was shown the vacant Laundry accommodation and was able to see the proposed bedroom area and en-suite location. The bedroom will easily exceed the minimum floor space required in the current care standards, and will allow for additional furniture to be placed in the room. This may include a sofa and an occasional table. Wardrobe storage within the bedroom is built in, further increasing the usability of the bedroom floor space.

En-suite accommodation for the new bedroom will also exceed the requirements of the current care standards. The provision of suitable accessibility aids for the service users was discussed. It is accepted that en-suites are designated as private accommodation and therefore building control will not assess the need for accessibility aids within this area. However, it was stressed that suitable accessibility aids would still be required. Many of these grab rails and aids will be common to those fitted in communal toilet accommodation and should therefore be fitted in accordance with the relevant guidance issued in conjunction with the Building Regulations (NI) 2012, i.e. Technical Booklet Part R. These should be in place at the time of the pre-registration inspection for the variation.

Once the premises are registered and the bedrooms are in use then the home must assess each individual service user and ensure that any additional accessibility aids that they may require in their private accommodation are installed.

The inspector was satisfied that the proposals fully meet the current care standards for nursing homes. No areas for improvement were identified during the inspection.

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<b>Total number of areas for improvement</b>	0	0

## 5.0 Quality improvement plan

There were no areas for improvement identified during this inspection, and a QIP is not required or included, as part of this inspection report.



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