

SH Care Ltd

The Bungalow

Inspection report

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Ratings

Overall rating for this service

Inspected but not rated

Is the service safe?

Inspected but not rated

Summary of findings

Overall summary

The Bungalow provides single-storey accommodation for up to 19 older people in the Farnworth area of Bolton. On the day of the inspection there were 19 people using the service.

We found the following examples of good practice.

The service had contacted relatives and friends and discussed visiting arrangements. Visitors were to be limited to one per household and a booking system was to be in place to allow for cleaning between visits. An area had been identified for visits, which had a separate entrance. Visitors would not have to access any part of the home other than the visiting area. There were facilities for visitors to sanitize their hands on entering and leaving the premises.

All staff only worked at this one care setting reducing the risk of any spread of infection. No employees in the clinically extremely vulnerable group worked at the home currently. Staff wore appropriate PPE around the home. Arrangements were in place for staff to socially distance on breaks. Signage for PPE usage and hand washing were visible around the home.

Whole home testing was carried out at the service, in line with requirements. The service ensured people had been tested prior to admission. People newly admitted to the service were isolated for 14 days and re-tested as per current guidance. There was an up to date and appropriate IPC policy in place.

The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

Is the service safe?

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

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Detailed findings

Background to this inspection

We carried out this inspection under Section 60 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 as part of our regulatory functions. This inspection was planned to check whether the provider is meeting the legal requirements and regulations associated with the Health and Social Care Act 2008.

As part of CQC's response to the coronavirus pandemic we are looking at the preparedness of care homes in relation to infection prevention and control. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place.

The inspection took place on 17 March 2021 and was announced.

Is the service safe?

Our findings

How well are people protected by the prevention and control of infection?

- We were assured that the provider was preventing visitors from catching and spreading infections.
- We were assured that the provider was meeting shielding and social distancing rules.
- We were assured that the provider was admitting people safely to the service.
- We were assured that the provider was using PPE effectively and safely.
- We were assured that the provider was accessing testing for people using the service and staff.
- We were assured that the provider was promoting safety through the layout and hygiene practices of the premises.
- We were assured that the provider was making sure infection outbreaks can be effectively prevented or managed.
- We were assured that the provider's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.