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About monitoring of compliance

The purpose of regulation in relation to designated centres is to safeguard vulnerable people of any age who are receiving residential care services. Regulation provides assurance to the public that people living in a designated centre are receiving a service that meets the requirements of quality standards which are underpinned by regulations. This process also seeks to ensure that the health, wellbeing and quality of life of people in residential care is promoted and protected. Regulation also has an important role in driving continuous improvement so that residents have better, safer lives.

The Health Information and Quality Authority has, among its functions under law, responsibility to regulate the quality of service provided in designated centres for children, dependent people and people with disabilities.

Regulation has two aspects:

- Registration: under Section 46(1) of the Health Act 2007 any person carrying on the business of a designated centre can only do so if the centre is registered under this Act and the person is its registered provider.
- Monitoring of compliance: the purpose of monitoring is to gather evidence on which to make judgments about the ongoing fitness of the registered provider and the provider’s compliance with the requirements and conditions of his/her registration.

Monitoring inspections take place to assess continuing compliance with the regulations and standards. They can be announced or unannounced, at any time of day or night, and take place:

- to monitor compliance with regulations and standards
- to carry out thematic inspections in respect of specific outcomes
- following a change in circumstances; for example, following a notification to the Health Information and Quality Authority’s Regulation Directorate that a provider has appointed a new person in charge
- arising from a number of events including information affecting the safety or wellbeing of residents.

The findings of all monitoring inspections are set out under a maximum of 18 outcome statements. The outcomes inspected against are dependent on the purpose of the inspection. In contrast, thematic inspections focus in detail on one or more outcomes. This focused approach facilitates services to continuously improve and achieve improved outcomes for residents of designated centres.
Compliance with the Health Act 2007 (Care and Welfare of Residents in Designated Centres for Older People) Regulations 2013, Health Act 2007 (Registration of Designated Centres for Older People) Regulations 2015 and the National Quality Standards for Residential Care Settings for Older People in Ireland.

This inspection report sets out the findings of a monitoring inspection, the purpose of which was following notification of a change in person in charge. This monitoring inspection was announced and took place over 1 day(s).

The inspection took place over the following dates and times
From: 07 October 2015 09:30 To: 07 October 2015 12:00

The table below sets out the outcomes that were inspected against on this inspection.

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Summary of findings from this inspection
The inspector visited the centre and interviewed the recently appointed person in charge. Deputising arrangements were also reviewed.

The findings from the interview with the person in charge are discussed in more detail under Outcome 4. No actions were required from this inspection.
Outcome 04: Suitable Person in Charge

The designated centre is managed by a suitably qualified and experienced person with authority, accountability and responsibility for the provision of the service.

Theme:
Governance, Leadership and Management

Outstanding requirement(s) from previous inspection(s):
No actions were required from the previous inspection.

Findings:
An interview was carried out with the newly appointed person in charge. She was knowledgeable regarding the requirements of the Regulations and the National Quality Standards for Residential Care Settings for Older People in Ireland and her statutory responsibilities. She had a very good knowledge of the health and support needs of the residents and was suitably skilled, experienced and qualified.

The person in charge had maintained her continuing professional development having completed a diploma course in frontline management and a certificate course in health services management.

The person in charge also attended clinical courses such as moving and handling, fire training and the protection of vulnerable adults. She had a particular interest in diabetes management and wound care. She had commenced a medication management course and had plans in place to complete further training in dementia care.

The person in charge had appropriate deputising arrangements in place to ensure adequate management of the centre during her absence and this is discussed under Outcome 6.

Judgment:
Compliant

Outcome 06: Absence of the Person in Charge

The Chief Inspector is notified of the proposed absence of the person in charge from the designated centre and the arrangements in place for the management of the designated centre during his/her absence.

Theme:
## Governance, Leadership and Management

### Outstanding requirement(s) from previous inspection(s):
No actions were required from the previous inspection.

### Findings:
The inspector was satisfied that there were suitable arrangements in place for the management of the designated centre in the absence of the person in charge.

The provider was aware of the requirement to notify the Chief Inspector regarding any proposed absence of the person in charge for a period of more than 28 days. The person in charge is supported in her role by two Assistant Directors of Nursing who deputise for her in her absence.

### Judgment:
Compliant

### Closing the Visit

At the close of the inspection a feedback meeting was held to report on the inspection findings.

### Acknowledgements

The inspector wishes to acknowledge the cooperation and assistance of all the people who participated in the inspection.

### Report Compiled by:

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