

26 March 2007

**Mr & Mrs James & Catherine O'Byrne**  
**Hillview Nursing Home**  
**Tullow Road**  
**Carlow**

## **Inspection Report**

**Re: Inspection of Hillview Nursing Home under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993.**

Dear Mr. & Mrs O'Byrne,

The Health Service Executive Nursing Home Inspection Team from a Medical, Nursing and Environmental Health perspective inspected Hillview Nursing Home on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2007.

The inspection commenced at 11 a.m. and was completed by 2.30 p.m. This inspection was unannounced.

There were 52 residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently fully registered for 52 residents.

Issues identified in the previous Inspection Report dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2006 have been partially addressed. Outstanding issues See Articles detailed below.

**Article: 11.2 (i)**                      *Overbed lamps at each bed accessible to the person*

**Recommendation:**              **Faulty overbed lights and blown bulbs should be repaired as required.**

**Timescale:**                          **Immediately.**

## Current Inspection

The following issues require your attention and action.

**Article: 14 (b)**                    *Make adequate arrangements for the prevention of infection, infestation, toxic conditions, or spread of infection and infestation at the nursing home.*

**Required Action:**            **A separate cleaning store shall be provided.**

**Timescale:**                    **Six months.**

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**Article: 14 (a)**                    *Ensure that the nursing home and its curtilage is maintained in a proper state of repair and in a clean and hygienic condition.*

**Required Action:**            **All openings around pipework in sluice rooms shall be suitably sealed.  
Worn furniture shall be upgraded and replaced as required.**

**Timescale:**                    **Six months.**

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**Article: 19.1 (3)**                *In every nursing home the following particulars shall be kept in a safe place in respect of each dependent person: - a medical record with details of investigations made, diagnosis and treatment given and a record of all drugs and medicines prescribed, signed and dated by a medical practitioner.*

**Non-compliance:**            **A medication cardex of one individual was not signed for.**

**Required Action:**            **All medication must be signed for in a timely manner.**

**Timescale:**                    **Immediately**

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**Article: 18.1 (g)**

*In every nursing home there shall be kept in a safe place a bound register of all dependent persons resident in the home, which shall include the following particulars in respect of each person, where the person dies in the nursing home, the date, time and certified cause of death.*

**Non-compliance**

**In one instance the date, time and the certified cause of death was not entered despite the fact that the Health Service Executive was notified and a death certificate was forwarded to the HSE.**

**Timescale:**

**The register must be maintained up to date.**

The Nursing Home Inspection Team is to be notified in writing on or before the above dates indicating the steps taken by the Nursing Home to carry out the actions as required under the Regulations.

Signed:

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**Director of Nursing  
Nursing Home  
Inspection Team**

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**Senior Medical Officer  
Nursing Home  
Inspection Team**

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**Environmental Health  
Nursing Home  
Inspection Team**