

04 April 2007

Mr. Pat Beecher,
Conna Nursing and Convalescent Home
Conna
Co. Cork

Inspection Report

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

Dear Mr. Beecher,

The Health Service Executive Nursing Home Inspection Team from a medical, nursing and environmental health perspective inspected Conna Nursing Convalescent Home on the 30.03.07.

The inspection commenced at 10am and was completed by 2pm. This inspection was unannounced.

There were 41 residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently fully registered for 51 residents.

Issues identified in the previous Inspection Report dated 13/10/06 have been addressed satisfactorily.

Current Inspection

The following issues require your attention and action.

Article: 21 *In every nursing home there shall be kept in a safe place a record of: (b) details of the qualifications and a copy of the certificate of current registration of each member of the nursing staff employed*

Non-compliance(s): copy of the certificate of current registration of some members of the nursing staff were not available.

Required Action: Please ensure that all certificates of current registration for each member of the nursing staff are available.

Timescale: One month

Article: 7.2 *In the year following the commencement of the act the registered proprietor or person in charge shall execute a contract with a dependent person and/or a person acting on his or her behalf within two months of the admission of that dependent person to the nursing home.*

Non-compliance(s): Some contracts of care remain unsigned.

Required Action: Please ensure that a contract of care is executed with a dependent person and/or acting on his or her behalf within two months of the admission of that dependent person to the nursing home

Timescale: Immediate

Article: 7.3 *Such contract shall deal with the care and welfare of that person in the nursing home and shall include details of the services to be provided for that person and the fees to be charged.*

Non-compliance(s): Details of the fees to be charged were not included in all contracts of care.

Required Action: all contracts shall deal with the care and welfare of the person in the nursing home and shall include details of the services to be provided for that person and the fees to be charged.

Timescale: Immediate

Article: 19.1(c) *In every nursing home the following particulars shall be kept in a safe place in respect of each dependent person: (c)a record of the medical and nursing condition of the person at the time of admission.*

Non-compliance(s): A record of the medical condition of the person at the time of admission was not available for some residents.

Required Action: Please ensure that all residents have a record available of their medical condition at the time of admission.

Timescale: Immediate

Article: 11.2(i) *In every nursing home there shall be provided suitable and sufficient accommodation which meets the minimum standards as follows:- (i) over-bed lamps at each bed accessible to the person and permanent night lighting with dimming facilities.*

Non-compliance(s): There were no dimming facilities to the lighting in the bedrooms.

Required Action: Please ensure that dimming facilities are available to the lighting in the bedrooms.

Timescale: One month

Recommendations:

- Please note the requirement of Article 22 i.e. that it is the registered proprietor or the person in charge who is to notify the Medical Officer relating to deaths of dependent persons in a nursing home.
- Please ensure that fire drills and practices are carried out on a six monthly basis.
- As your home is currently registered for 51 residents please ensure that, should you have this number of residents, that all are adequately insured against injury while being maintained in the home.

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:

**Senior Medical Officer
Chairperson
Nursing Home
Inspection Team**

**Assistant Director
of Public Health Nursing
Nursing Home
Inspection Team**

**Environmental Health Officer
Nursing Home
Inspection Team**

Signed counterpart sent to Person-in-Charge of Nursing Home