# Nursing Home Inspection Report


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<th>Nursing Home</th>
<th>Beach Hill Manor Private Nursing Home</th>
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<td>Number of Residents</td>
<td>35</td>
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<td>Registered for</td>
<td>49</td>
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<td>Nursing Home Address</td>
<td>Lisfannon, Fahan, Co. Donegal</td>
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<td>Proprietor</td>
<td>Ms. Amanda Torrens</td>
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<td>Proprietor’s Address</td>
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<td>Person-in-Charge of Nursing Home</td>
<td>Annmarie McCann RGN</td>
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<td>Date and Time of Inspection(s)</td>
<td>22/07/2008 11.00 am to 5.30 pm</td>
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<td>Date report issued</td>
<td>5th August, 2008</td>
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<td>Summary of previous report findings</td>
<td>Following the previous inspection from 24/01/08, the nursing home has addressed all non-compliance issues outlined in the report.</td>
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## Current Inspection Summary Findings

**Compliance status**

Findings of latest (unannounced) inspection which took place on 22/07/2008 11.00 am to 5.30 pm

The inspectors findings based on the current nursing home inspectorate regulations are as follows:
### Summary Findings of Current Nursing Home Inspection

- **Under Care & Staffing** the nursing home was compliant with 19 out of 21 regulations.
  
  On the basis of this inspection and under current nursing home regulations, there are issues that need to be addressed as outlined below in relation to the Care and Staffing.

- **Under Management** the nursing home was compliant with 27 out of 27 regulations.
  
  On the basis of this inspection and under current nursing home regulations, the inspection team would consider the nursing home to have a good standard of management.

- **Under Physical Environment** the nursing home was compliant with 8 out of 11 regulations.
  
  On the basis of this inspection and under current nursing home regulations, there are issues that need to be addressed as outlined below in relation to the Physical Environment.

### Based on the most recent nursing home inspection the nursing home is non-compliant under one or more regulations. For more details see below.

| Regulation number | Article: 19.1 In every nursing home the following particulars shall be kept in a safe place in respect of each dependent person:—  
|                  | (e) 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   | During this inspection it has been noted that several medical notes were not signed by the Medical Practitioner of the client.  
| Required Action  | Ensure that medical notes are signed by the Medical Practitioner who made entries into the patient notes.  
| Timescale        | Immediately. |

| Regulation number | Article: 19.1 In every nursing home the following particulars shall be kept in a safe place in respect of each dependent person:—  
|                  | (f) a record of drugs and medicines administered giving the date of the prescription, dosage, name of the drug or medicine, method of administration, signed and dated by a medical practitioner and the nurse administering the drugs and medicines;  

**Non-Compliance** (This section should be deleted if no non-compliances have been recorded)
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Article: 29 The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall:—

(b) ensure that the treatment and medication prescribed by the medical practitioner of a dependent person is correctly administered and recorded.

Non-Compliance: Dispensing individual drugs from unsigned prescriptions.

Required Action: Ensure that dispensing of medication to clients is from signed drug cardex in line with An Bord Altranais Guidance to Nurses and Midwives on Medication Management (2003).

Timescale: Immediately.

Regulation number Article: 12 The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall:—

(a) take precautions against the risk of accidents to any dependent person in the nursing home and in the grounds of the nursing home;

Non-Compliance: It was noted that some bedroom windows and communal windows in the Nursing Home can open out fully. There is a risk of residents, who may be confused, exiting the premises undetected via a window.

Required Action: Windows in rooms, to which confused residents have access, and communal area windows should be secured so they cannot be opened fully.

Timescale: Two months.

Regulation number Article: 14 The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall:—

(a) ensure that the nursing home and its curtilage is maintained in a proper state of repair and in a clean and hygienic condition;

(b) make adequate arrangements for the prevention of infection, infestation, toxic conditions, or spread of infection and infestation at the nursing home;

Non-Compliance: It was noted that shared soaps were being used in the ensuite bathrooms of 2 bedded bedrooms.

Required Action: Provide liquid soap in the ensuite bathrooms to all 2 bedded rooms in order to prevent the spread of infection throughout the home.

Timescale: Immediately.

Regulation number

Non-Compliance: There was a very strong odour from the carpet in room A7 at the time of the inspection.
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<th>Required Action</th>
<th>Appropriate measures must be taken to ensure any rooms are not malodorous at any time.</th>
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<td>Timescale</td>
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**Regulation number**

**Non-Compliance** At the time of inspection, the ensuite bathroom to bedroom C1 required thorough cleaning.

**Required Action** Appropriate measures must be taken to ensure thorough cleaning throughout the home.

**Timescale** Immediately.

**Regulation number** Article: 28.1 In every nursing home there shall be kept in a safe place a record of:—

(a) all fire practices which take place at the home;

**Non-Compliance** There were inadequate records of any fire practices having taken place at the Nursing Home (i.e evacuation procedures).

**Required Action** Adequate arrangements by means of fire practices should be made to ensure the staff and dependents know the procedure to be followed in the event of a fire.

**Timescale** One Month.

All regulations, their reference numbers and the details of those regulations can be viewed in Nursing Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993.

### Comments and Recommendations

**Comments and recommendations made by the inspection team as a result of the inspection**

Guidance on evacuation procedures and appropriate training is available in the publication entitled “Fire Safety in Nursing Homes” 1996. It is also advisable that you consult with the Donegal County Council, Fire Safety Office on the suitability and adequacy of your Fire Safety procedures within the Nursing Home.
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This report has been completed/issued by

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