Inspection Report

Re: Inspection of Roseville House Nursing Killornan Ballysimon Co. Limerick under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993

Dear Sir

The Health Service Executive Nursing Homes Inspection Team inspected Roseville House Nursing Home Killonan Ballysimon Co. Limerick from 10.15am to 2.00pm on 25/01/07. This inspection was unannounced.

There were thirty seven residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently fully registered for forty residents.

Issues identified in previous Inspection Report of 03/10/06 which have been addressed include Article 27.1 (b). Issues not addressed include Article 11.2 (i) (j) and Article 19.1 (e).

The following issues require your attention and action.

Article: 19.1 (e)
“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”.

Breach: A number of drug Kardex sheets and some individual drugs were not signed and dated by a medical practitioner.

Required Action: All drug Kardex sheets shall be signed and dated by a medical practitioner.
Timescale: Immediately.

Article: 14 (a) (c) (d)
“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
(c) Ensure that there are adequate arrangements for the laundering at regular intervals, and as occasion may require, of linen, clothing and other articles belonging to or used by dependent persons maintained in the nursing home
(d) Ensure that a separate well ventilated room is provided for sluicing and for the storage of dirty linen”.

Breaches:
(a) In the en-suite off room 17, there was no toilet roll holder. Also the bar of the towel rail had fallen off. The toilet seat was cracked in room 31. The toilet roll holder was missing in the bathroom beside room 9.
There was damage to wall tiling in room 24. There were gaps in the floor covering in several bedrooms. Some of this was as a result of recent plumbing work.
Dust was observed on call bells and light fittings.
(c) On day of inspection the laundry room was very cold. The old sink had not been replaced as requested. In the hot press near room 27, a shopping basket containing clean laundry was placed on the floor. Some duvet covers on the beds were in a wrinkled state.
(d) Dirty items associated with floor cleaning were observed in the sluice room sink.

Required Action:
- The maintenance items listed above shall be rectified.
- Implementation of the cleaning schedule needs to be reviewed and the general standard of cleanliness needs to be upgraded.
- It is recommended that proposed new floor covering is coved at wall/floor junctions for ease of cleaning. Floor coverings in the bedrooms shall be made good.
- Shelves should be installed in the hot press for the storage of clean laundry. Attention shall be given to the ironing of duvet covers.
- Items not associated with sluicing activities shall not be stored in the sluice room.
- It is recommended that a dedicated cleaning room be provided for the Nursing Home. The last issue has been also raised in previous inspection reports.

Timescale: Immediately

Article: 11.2 (i) (j)
“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
(j) Emergency call facilities are provided at each bed”.

Breaches: The over bed light was not working in room 2. The call bell was not working in room 27.
**Required Action:** The above shall be put in working order.

**Timescale:** Immediately

**Recommendations:**

- At inspection wheelchairs were stored in the corridor. A review of storage facilities is recommended.
- Reference is made to the observed extension of the Nursing Home. The Team was informed that this was for staff facilities i.e. dining and sanitary facilities. Plans for this extension have not been submitted to the HSE Nursing Homes Inspection Team. On visual inspection, it is the opinion of the Team that the area is not sufficient to contain the proposed accommodation. You are advised that work on this shall cease until plans are inspected and approved by the Nursing Homes Inspection Team. The issue of staff facilities has been addressed by the Team in numerous previous reports.

The Chairperson of the Inspection Teams shall be notified in writing on receipt of this report the steps taken by the nursing home to carry out the actions as required under the regulations.

Signed:________________ ______________________ _____________________

Chairperson  Inspection Team Member  Inspection Team Member

cc Ms. Kathleen Wilkinson Person-in-Charge