Managing Director
Newcastlewest Nursing Home Ltd
St. Catherine’s Nursing Home
Bothar Bui
Newcastlewest
Co. Limerick

Inspection Report

Re: Inspection of St Catherine’s Nursing Home Bothar Bui Newcastlewest
Co. Limerick under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing
Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993.

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Health Service Executive Nursing Home Inspection Team from a Medical a Nursing and
an Environmental Health perspective inspected St. Catherine’s Nursing Home on 23/04/07.

The inspection commenced at 10.30am and was completed by 1.30pm. This inspection was
unannounced.

There were ten residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently fully registered for fifty
five residents.

Issues identified in the previous Inspection Report dated 15/12/06
have been addressed satisfactorily.

Current Inspection

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.

Non-compliance(s): A number of drug kardex sheets 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: 28.1 (a) (b) (c)
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.
(b) All fire alarm tests carried out at the home together with the result of any such test and the action taken to remedy defects.
(c) The number, type and maintenance record of fire fighting equipment.

Non-Compliance: These records were not available at inspection.

Required Action: All fire records shall be maintained as per above article.

Timescale: Immediately.

Recommendations:
1. At Inspection the sharps box was located in the sluice room. This would be more appropriately placed in the clinical room.
2. In the kitchenette off the dining room in the Alzheimer’s unit a suitable splash back shall be provided behind the sink and dispensers for liquid soap and paper towels be erected.
3. In the kitchenette beside the dining room in the east wing upstairs it is recommended that presses with work tops and dispensers for liquid soap and paper towels are provided.
4. Dimmer switches should be installed in rooms 5, 29 and 33.

Signed:

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Signed counterpart sent to Mr. Stephen Murphy, Person-in-Charge of Nursing Home