Ms. Amanda Torrens,
Brookvale Manor Private Nursing Home,
Hazel Hill,
Ballyhaunis,
County Mayo.

20th April 2007

Inspection Report


Dear Ms. Torrens,

The Health Service Executive Nursing Home Inspection Team from an Environmental Health perspective inspected Brookvale Manor Private Nursing Home, on 19th April 2007.

The inspection commenced at 2:10 pm and was completed by 4pm. This inspection was unannounced.

There were 48 residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently fully registered for 59 residents.

The following issues require your attention and action.

Article: 12 (a)
The registered proprietor and person in charge of the nursing home shall…take precautions against the risk of accidents to any dependent person in the home....

Non-compliance: Hot water temperatures in the residential areas were noted to be a little high at 51°C posing a risk of scalding, when the recommended temperature is 43°C.

Required Action: Ensure hot water in residential parts of the home presents no risk of scalding to residents. (In delivering hot water about the home due regard must also be given to control of legionella in the water system.)

Timescale: As soon as possible.

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Article: 14 (b)
The registered proprietor and person in charge of the nursing home shall...make adequate arrangements for the prevention of infestation... at the nursing home.

Non-compliance: The window in the sluice room when left open for ventilation presents an opportunity for pests to enter the building, especially given the location of the storage compartment immediately outside for bins and refuse.

Required Action: Provide a suitable fly screen on this window opening to guard against entry of pests into the building.

Timescale: Within 2 months.

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SEHO
Nursing Home Inspection Team

Signed counterpart sent to: Mrs. Evelyn Doyle-Douglas, Person-in-Charge of Nursing Home