Ms. Mairead Perry,
Proprietor,
Deerpark,
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Co. Tipperary

31 October 2006

**Inspection Report**

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

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Nursing Homes Inspection Team visited Deerpark Nursing Home 24 October 2006.

There were twenty-six residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently registered for twenty-nine residents.

The following issues require your attention and action.

**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.

**Breach:** Individual medicines not identified by letter in the medical kardex by administering Nurse.

**Required Action:** Nursing staff when administering medicines should identify (by using the assigned alphabetical letter) each medicine in the kardex before signing the appropriate box for time of administration e.g. 6.00 am, 12.00 midday, 4.00 pm etc. The code for identifying medicines is already in use in the top part of kardex, each medication having an assigned letter of the alphabet.
Timescale: By next visit.

Article: 14 The Registered Proprietor and the person in charge of the Nursing Home shall:-

(b) make adequate arrangements for the prevention of infection, infestation, toxic conditions, or spread of infection and infestation at the Nursing Home, as requested in last inspection 15 March 2006.

(e) 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.

Breach: Laundry and sluicing being carried out in the same room.

Required Action: Separate laundry required with suitable facilities as requested in Previous correspondence dated 24 April 2006.


Article: 27 The Registered Proprietor and the Person-in-Charge of the Nursing Home shall:

(f) a written confirmation provided in accordance with article 27 (e) shall suffice on any subsequent registration of the Nursing Home, save where structural alterations to the home have been carried out, in which case, a new written confirmation of fire safety from a competent person that all the requirements of the statutory fire authority have been complied with, shall be required to be produced to the Health Board.

Breach: No fire certificate for the extension to the day room has been received to date.

Required Action: Written confirmation from a competent person that all requirements of the statutory fire authority have been complied with must be forwarded to us.

Timescale: Immediately.

Article: 11.2 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 with dimming facilities.

Breach: Overbed light in Room 2 was not working at time of inspection.

Required Action: The light to be repaired.

Timescale: Immediately.

Recommendation:

We note that a number of doors and door frames throughout the Nursing Home have been damaged over time. We recommend that you would consider replacing and/or repairing these over time.

Signed:

Assistant Director  Senior Environmental  Area Medical Officer
Public Health Nursing  Health Officer  Health Officer
Inspection Team Member  Inspection Team Member  Inspection Team Member

cc Person-in-Charge