Ms Bernie Purcell, Proprietor, Carraig Túr Nursing Home, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> November 2006

## **Inspection Report**

# Re: Inspection of Carraig Túr Nursing Home, Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care & Welfare) Regulations, 1993.

Dear Madam,

The Nursing Homes Inspection Team visited Carraig Túr Nursing Home On the 9<sup>th</sup> November 2006.

There were **51** residents there on this date. The Nursing Home is currently registered for 53 residents.

The following issues require your attention and action.

### Article 11.2

In every nursing home there shall be provided suitable and sufficient accommodation which meets the minimum standards as follows:— (f) suitable and sufficient equipment and facilities having regard to the nature and extent of the dependency of the persons maintained in the nursing home;

### **Breach:**

In room 6 on the first floor, it appeared that a tray was secured to a Buxton chair using women's tights. This was inappropriate.

Required Action:

Remove the tights and review equipment needs. Use equipment that is currently approved.

Timescale: Immediate

## Article 12(a)

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;

#### **Breach:**

Outside the day room on the ground floor there was a collection of footplates from wheelchairs. There was a risk of spillage on to the entrance to the day room and some person tripping on the footplates.

**Required Action:** 

The footplates should be stored in a box so that they do not trip a person.

Timescale: Immediate

## Articles 14(a) & (b):

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;

### **Breach(es):**

In the ground floor assisted bathroom, the bath surface was cracked/flaked in three places. In the 1<sup>st</sup> floor assisted bathroom, the bath surface was corroded/chipped in two places.

Required Action: Repair or replacement.

Timescale: Immediate

### Articles 14(b):

### **Breach:**

In the ground floor assisted bathroom, there was a bag of washed sponges. These were distributed to all residents. It is very difficult to totally disinfect these sponges so there was a consequent risk that infection would be spread from resident to resident via the sponges.

Required Action: Cease using the sponges

Timescale:

#### Immediate

### Article 29(a)

*The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall:*— (a) make adequate arrangements for the recording, safekeeping, administering and disposal of drugs and medicines;

#### **Breach:**

Influenza vaccine was stored in the kitchen fridge at 8.8°C consequently the cold chain was broken.

**Required Action:** 

Dispose of the vaccine. Vaccine and medicines must be stored in a specific vaccine fridge or else not stored on the premises.

Timescale: Immediate

The Chairperson of the Inspection Team is to be notified in writing on or before the above dates (15<sup>th</sup> Dec.) indicating the steps taken by the nursing home to carry out the actions as required under the regulations.

Signed;

Chairperson Senior. Environmental Health Officer

Inspection Team Member Inspection Team Member A/ Senior Medical Officer

Å/ Dir.Public Health Nursing

cc Person-in-Charge: