

Mr & Mrs Tom Cummins, Proprietors,  
Cherrygrove Nursing Home,  
Priesthaggard,  
Campile,  
County Wexford

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> September 2007

### **Inspection Report**

**Re:** Cherrygrove Nursing Home, Priesthaggard, Campile, County Wexford, under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care & Welfare) Regulations, 1993.

Dear Mr. & Ms. Cummins,

The Nursing Homes Inspection Team visited Cherrygrove Nursing Home on the 7<sup>th</sup> September last between 10.45hrs and 13.30hrs. The visit was unannounced.

There were 36 residents on the day. The Nursing Home is currently registered for 43 residents. The following issues require your attention and action:

#### **Article 5**

*“The registered proprietor and the person in charge shall ensure that there is provided for dependent persons maintained in a nursing home:—.*

*( a ) suitable and sufficient care to maintain the person's welfare and well-being, having regard to the nature and extent of the person's dependency;*

*( b ) a high standard of nursing care;*

#### **Article 10.5**

*“ The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall ensure that*

*( a ) a medical practitioner of the dependent person's choice or acceptable to that person is available to ensure that he or she receives appropriate medical care;”*

#### **Non-Compliances:**

A resident who had been availing of respite, allegedly assaulted another resident, and no medical practitioner was called to assess him re his outbursts of aggression.

#### **Required Action:**

Ensure that residents receive appropriate care.

**Timescale:** Immediate

**Article 11.2**

*“In every nursing home there shall be provided suitable and sufficient accommodation which meets the minimum standards as follows:-  
( h ) suitable and sufficient lighting and ventilation, with natural lighting and ventilation in rooms which are regularly occupied by dependent persons;”*

**Non-Compliance:**

In rooms 6 and 10 the mechanical ventilation to the en-suites was turned off and there were stale smells in these rooms.

**Non-Compliance:**

In room 3 there was a stuffy smell.

**Required Action:**

Provide adequate ventilation.

**Timescale:** Immediate

**Article 12**

*“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;”*

**Non-Compliance:**

In room 3 the matt beside the bed was slipping on the floor.

**Required Action:**

All floor covering is to be non-slip.

**Timescale:** Immediate

**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;”*

**Non-Compliance:**

In room 3 the matt beside the bed was dirty.

**Required Action:**

Maintain equipment and surfaces in a clean condition.

**Timescale:** Immediate.

**Non-Compliance:**

In room 5 the container for the nebuliser mask was dusty and dirty inside and out. The nebuliser mask was dusty and dirty.

**Required Action:**

Maintain equipment and surfaces in a clean condition.

**Timescale:** Immediate.

In the en-suite of room 8, a used catheter drainage bag was left hanging beside the toilet.

**Required Action**

It should be disposed of.

**Timescale:** Immediate.

**Article 19.1**

*“in every nursing home the following particulars shall be kept in a safe place in respect of each 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;”*

**Non-Compliance:**

A resident has been present on 2 occasions for respite-care who has been dispensed medications without a signed prescription by a medical practitioner or evidence of same.

**Action:**

Ensure all prescription drugs and medicines administered have a signed and dated record by a medical practitioner.

**Timescale:** Immediate

**Article 29.**

*“The registered proprietor and the person in charge of the nursing home shall:-*

- (a) make make adequate arrangements for the recording, safekeeping, administering and disposal of drugs and medicines;*
- (b) ensure that the treatment and medication prescribed by the medical practitioner of a dependent person is correctly administered and recorded.”*

**Non-Compliance:** in one resident’s room unattended medications (in the form of 3 prescription tablets) were found on a tray table with no sign of a staff member or the resident of the room.

**Action:**

Prescription Medications are not to be left unattended at any time and Nursing Staff are to ensure that dispensed medications are taken or disposed of.

**Timescale:** Immediate

**Article 33.**

*“The registered proprietor and person in charge shall ensure that the current registration certificate is displayed in a prominent place in the nursing home at all times”*

**Non-Compliance:**

The certificate displayed was not up to date.

**Action:**

Display an up to date certificate.

**Timescale:** Immediate

The Chairperson of the Inspection Team is to be notified in writing, indicating the steps taken by the nursing home to carry out the actions as required under the regulations.

Signed;

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Senior Environmental  
Health Officer

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