Mr Denis & Ms Mary Mangan
Proprietors
Kinvara Nursing Home
3-4 Esplanade
Strand Road
Bray, Co. Wicklow

Inspection Report

Re: Inspection of the Kinvara Nursing Home, 3-4 Esplanade, Strand Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993.

Dear Mr Denis & Ms Mary Mangan,

The Health Service Executive Nursing Home Inspection Team from a Medical, Nursing and Environmental Health perspective inspected the Kinvara Nursing Home on 10th September 2007.

The inspection commenced at 10.01 hrs. and was completed by 14.33 hrs. This inspection was unannounced.

There were 35 residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently fully registered for 44 residents.

There are no outstanding issues from the previous inspection.

Current Inspection
The following issues require your attention and action.

Article: 11.2(h) Accommodation and Facilities
Regulation 11.2 states:
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(s):
Rooms 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 13, 14.
Room 19 Assisted bathroom.
Ventilation system not working

Required Action:
Repair/ replace ventilator.

Timescale:
Two weeks.

Article: 14(a) Hygiene
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.

Non-compliance(s):
Rooms 2 & 3
Damp stain mark on wall.

Required Action:
Address source of damp and repaint wall.

Timescale:
One month.

Article: 12(a) Design
Regulation 12 states:
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(s):
Railing on patio area not continuous allowing access to flat roof.

Required Action:
Continue railing to secure area

Timescale:
One month.

Non-compliance(s):
Internal gates to lower ground from patio area unlocked

Required Action:
Appropriate security system on gates

Timescale:
One month.
Non-compliance(s):
   Rooms 23 – 36 first floor window stay openings excessive

Required Action:
   Reduce opening using window stay

Timescale:
   One month.

Non-compliance(s):
   Front door wheelchair access and connecting internal door unlocked allowing access to main road

Required Action:
   Ensure locking system in place is vigilantly enforced

Timescale:
   Immediately.

The Nursing Home Inspection Team is to be notified in writing on or before the above dates indicating the steps taken by the Nursing Home to carry out the actions as required under the Regulations.

Signed:

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Inspection Team      Inspection Team      Inspection Team

Signed counterpart sent to Ms. Mary Mangan, Person-in-Charge of Nursing Home