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Proprietors
Tara Care Centre
5 – 6 Putland Road
Bray,
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Date 26th June 2007

Integrated Inspection Report

Re: Inspection of Tara Care Centre under the Health (Nursing Homes) Act, 1990 and the Nursing Homes (Care and Welfare) Regulations, 1993.

The Nursing Homes Inspection Team taken from an EHO/ Medical/Nursing perspective inspected The **Tara Care Centre** on 22nd June 2007.

The inspection commenced at 10.38am and was completed at 2.41pm. There were 46 residents on this date. The Nursing Home is currently registered for 50 residents.

Issues identified in previous Inspection Report date 13th November 2006 have been satisfactorily addressed.

Current Inspection

The following issues require your attention and action.

SANITARY FACILITIES:

Regulation 15 states:

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

(a) *there is a sufficient supply of piped hot and cold water and that wash-hand basins are provided in each bedroom;*

Non-compliance: No wash hand basin in room 27

Required Action: Wash hand basin to be put in place

Timescale: Within two months.

SANITARY FACILITIES:

Regulation 15 states:

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

(b) *there is a sufficient number of toilets having regard to the number of dependent persons in the home and that a sufficient number of toilets are designed to provide access for dependent persons in wheelchairs, having regard to the number of persons using wheelchairs in the nursing home;*

Non-compliance: Bathroom shared between rooms 2 and 3, which are both 3 bedded rooms, one male, one female. Two issues identified;

1. Access for wheelchair residents with the bath preventing them accessing the toilet from room 2.
2. From room 3 there is no lock from room into bathroom.

Required Action:

1. Bath to be replaced by shower which will enable wheelchair residents' access to bathroom.
2. Lock to be put in place in room 3 bathroom.

Timescale:

1. Within 3 months
2. Immediate.

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: -

(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.*

Non-compliance: Plastic patio chairs noted in shower rooms.

Required Action: Shower chairs to be provided

Timescale: Immediate.

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: -

- (a) adequate accommodation and space in single and shared sleeping rooms and portable screens or screening curtains to ensure privacy for individual persons.*

Non-compliance: No screen provided for one bed in Room 9, which is a two bedded room.

Required Action: Screen to be provided

Timescale: Immediate.

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: Ventilation needs to be provided in room 4 ensuite, room 13 ensuite, room 22 ensuite, room 30 ensuite, bathroom on return between basement and ground floor.

Required Action: Ventilation systems to be put in place.

Timescale: Within two months.

WELFARE AND WELL-BEING:

Regulation 5 states:

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;*

Non-compliance: It was noted that a bed bound resident with an indwelling catheter had no fluid intake and output chart.

Required Action: Intake and output chart to be commenced immediately to record all fluids taken with all output noted to prevent dehydration and prevent urinary tract infection.

Timescale: Immediate

The Chairperson of 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:

**Chairperson Nursing Home
Inspection Team**

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