

# Birmingham Jewish Community Care Andrew Cohen House

## Inspection report

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## Ratings

Overall rating for this service

Inspected but not rated

Is the service safe?

**Inspected but not rated**

# Summary of findings

## Overall summary

Andrew Cohen House provides accommodation, nursing and personal care to a maximum of 59 older people. Some people lived with dementia. At the time of our inspection 51 people lived at the home.

We found the following examples of good practice.

- A visiting pod was available for relatives to visit their family member. The pod was accessed from the garden which reduced the possibility of infection being introduced into the home. A relatives online meeting was planned to discuss the new government visiting directive.
- The home was spacious offering a number of communal areas. All bedrooms were single occupancy with full wet room facilities. These promoted social distancing and decreased the risk of infection transmission.
- Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) guidance was adhered to when new people were admitted to the home.
- There was enough Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) available in stock and throughout the home. Staff wore PPE in line with guidance.
- Staff underwent a COVID-19 test three times a week and people every 28 days. People or staff who tested positive were required to self-isolate in line with current government guidance.
- The premises were clean. Additional cleaning staff hours had been used when required. Appropriate cleaning products were used throughout the home.
- Staff received IPC training which included donning and doffing and PPE usage.
- The registered manager had a good insight of how to deal with any infectious outbreaks. The provider's IPC policy was updated when new government guidance had been issued.

## The five questions we ask about services and what we found

We always ask the following five questions of services.

### **Is the service safe?**

Further information is in the detailed findings below.

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## **Detailed findings**

### Background to this inspection

We carried out this inspection under Section 60 of the Health and Social Care Act 2008 as part of our regulatory functions. This inspection was planned to check whether the provider is meeting the legal requirements and regulations associated with the Health and Social Care Act 2008.

As part of CQC's response to the coronavirus pandemic we are looking at the preparedness of care homes in relation to infection prevention and control. This was a targeted inspection looking at the infection control and prevention measures the provider has in place.

This inspection took place on 2 March 2021 and was announced.

# Is the service safe?

## Our findings

How well are people protected by the prevention and control of infection?

- We were assured that the provider was preventing visitors from catching and spreading infections.
- We were assured that the provider was meeting shielding and social distancing rules.
- We were assured that the provider was admitting people safely to the service.
- We were assured that the provider was using PPE effectively and safely.
- We were assured that the provider was accessing testing for people using the service and staff.
- We were assured that the provider was promoting safety through the layout and hygiene practices of the premises.
- We were assured that the provider was making sure infection outbreaks can be effectively prevented or managed.
- We were assured that the provider's infection prevention and control policy was up to date.