

27th September 2006

Ms. Amanda Torrens
Proprietor
Mill Lane Manor Nursing Home
Sallins Road
Naas
Co. Kildare

Re: Inspection Report of 19.09.06 & 21.09.06

Dear Ms. Torrens,

The nursing home inspection team visited Mill Lane Manor Nursing home on the 19th & 21st September 2006. There were sixty three residents on this date. The nursing home is currently registered for seventy residents.

The following issues require your attention:

A): Article 9.1 and Article 29

- 1: We found that non prescribed medications i.e. paracetamol and motilium were being administered without this practice being written into your medication policy.
- 2: We found that on the return of a patient from a review clinic the new prescription was not adhered to i.e. Cologne BD was not increased to TDS as prescribed.
- 3: We noted 28 boxes of paracetamol in stock.
- 4: We found that a CD2 drug Sevredol prescribed for a patient but currently not in use was not being checked on a daily basis.

Required Action and Recommendation:

Review your medication policy to ensure that An Bord Altranais guidelines are adhered to at all times.

Timeframe:

Two weeks.

(B): Article 19.1g:

1: We noted that there was no incident form completed on a patient transferred to Naas Hospital following a fall on 19.06.06.

Article 22 Notification of Death procedure

Required Action: Ensure that death notifications are sent to the HSE Senior Medical Officer within 48 hours and that a copy of the death certificate follows as soon as it becomes available.

(C): Article 10.3 Staffing:

On viewing the roster we note again that you have not appointed a dedicated fulltime person in charge at Mill Lane Manor. On the two occasions of our visits we found the temporary person in charge rostered for duty but not on the premises.

D) Article 28.1:

1: Records of fire drills and practices duly signed by attendees were not available to us for inspection.

2: The maintenance record of the fire fighting equipment was not up to date.

E): Article 14:

There was a strong smell of urine noted in the home and it was particularly bad between rooms 16-22. Upstairs we noted same in room 42 and also we noted dampness on the wall opposite the door.

Recommendation:

In the interest of practice we recommend that care plans should be in place for all patients and we refer to our report of 1st June 2006 when we highlighted the need for staff training in this area.

Please contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

Designated Inspector of Nursing Homes Designated Inspector of Nursing Homes

Cc Nurse Bernadine McCrory, Person in Charge, Mill Lane Manor