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Bryn Melyn Care Limited

Monitoring visit

Inspected under the social care common inspection framework

Information about this children's home

The service is owned by a private company. The home is registered to accommodate eight children. There were two children in placement at the time of the visit. There is currently no registered manager in post.

Inspection date: 2 April 2020

This monitoring visit

Ofsted undertook a monitoring visit to the home on 14 January 2020. This was in response to concerns raised in two complaints. During the monitoring visit, the inspector found significant failings in the leadership and management of the home. These had compromised young people's safety. Two compliance notices were issued under regulation 12 and regulation 13; in addition, a notice restricting accommodation was also put in place.

Ofsted undertook a follow up monitoring visit to the home on 13 February 2020. During the monitoring visit, the inspector found continued failings in the leadership and management of the home. These compromised young people's safety. The two compliance notices issued under regulation 12 and regulation 13 were judged not to have been met. The notice restricting accommodation remained in place.

This third monitoring visit took place to review the compliance notices and one requirement. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ofsted did not physically visit the home. The inspector gathered evidence in several different ways, including talking to the manager, staff and local authority staff responsible for children living at the home. The responsible individual and manager also provided electronic documents for the inspector to review.

As a result of this inspection, Ofsted deems that the provider has met the compliance notices issued under regulation 12 and regulation 13. In addition, managers have taken sufficient action to address the requirement raised.

A recruitment drive has resulted in enough senior and experienced staff being appointed to work in the home, to care for the two children currently living there.

Sufficient staffing means that the manager is now able to stop working on shift. This means that she can concentrate on oversight/monitoring and making any required changes to ensure that a good quality of care is provided.

Risk assessments and 'My Life Plans' now contain clear guidance, which staff follow. This ensures that children are always safely supervised.

Staff receive regular supervisions in line with the company's policy. Consequently, there is sufficient monitoring and review of staff practice and new staff are supported in their roles.

The provider has complied with the notice restricting accommodation. No other young people have moved in. As a result of the improvements seen, the notice restricting accommodation has been lifted.

Recent inspection history

Inspection date	Inspection type	Inspection judgement
28/08/2019	Full	Good
11/03/2019	Interim	Declined in effectiveness
16/04/2018	Full	Good
05/12/2017	Full	Requires improvement to be good

Information about this inspection

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Ofsted did not physically visit the home.

The purpose of this visit was to monitor the action taken and the progress made by the children's home since its last Ofsted inspection.

This inspection was carried out under the Care Standards Act 2000.

Children's home details

Unique reference number: 1255147

Provision sub-type: children's home

Registered provider: Bryn Melyn Care Limited

Registered provider address: Bryn Melyn House, 3 Hawksworth Road, Central Park, Telford, Shropshire TF2 9TU

Responsible individual: Mark O'Donnell

Registered manager: Lecitta Ferrar

Inspector

Dawn Bennett, social care inspector

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