

Report of the Inspector of Mental Health Services 2013

EXECUTIVE CATCHMENT AREA/INTEGRATED SERVICE AREA	Galway, Mayo, Roscommon
HSE AREA	HSE West
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE	Roscommon Mental Health Services
APPROVED CENTRE	Department of Psychiatry Roscommon
NUMBER OF WARDS	1
NAMES OF UNITS OR WARDS INSPECTED	Department of Psychiatry, Roscommon
TOTAL NUMBER OF BEDS	22
CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO REGISTRATION	No
TYPE OF INSPECTION	Unannounced
DATE OF INSPECTION	27 February 2013

Summary

- The Department of Psychiatry in Roscommon was a pleasant well run unit and provided a good standard of care to residents.
- Written information on medication and diagnosis was not available.
- Access to services such as psychiatry of old age and rehabilitation was not available. Psychology and social work were also under-provided.

OVERVIEW

In 2013, the Inspectorate inspected this Approved Centre against all of the Mental Health Act 2001 (Approved Centres) Regulations 2006.

The Inspectorate was keen to highlight improvements and initiatives carried out in the past year and track progress on the implementation of recommendations made in 2012. In addition to the core inspection process information was also gathered from advocacy reports, service user interviews, staff interviews and photographic evidence collected on the day of the inspection.

DESCRIPTION

The Department of Psychiatry (DOP), Roscommon County Hospital, was located in the main hospital building directly behind the main entrance. Roscommon County Hospital no longer had an Accident and Emergency Department and all psychiatric presentations for admission came directly to the DOP. The approved centre was a converted maternity ward and consisted of a long corridor with rooms off either side. It was refurbished to an acceptable standard within the confines of the building and was bright and airy. Three small sectors with a total catchment population of 64,000 admitted to the approved centre and there was no psychiatry of old age or rehabilitation service available. There were 17 residents on the day of inspections and two were detained patients.

The future of the DOP in Roscommon was under review due to the HSE's future plans of closing either St. Bridget's Hospital, Ballinasloe, or DOP Roscommon for admissions.

SUMMARY OF COMPLIANCE WITH MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001 (APPROVED CENTRES) REGULATIONS 2006

COMPLIANCE RATING	2011	2012	2013	ARTICLE NUMBERS 2013
Fully Compliant	27	24	25	-
Substantial Compliance	2	5	3	21, 26, 27
Minimal Compliance	1	1	1	20
Not Compliant	0	0	0	-
Not Applicable	1	1	2	-

PART ONE: QUALITY OF CARE AND TREATMENT SECTION 51 (1)(b)(i) MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001

DETAILS OF WARDS IN THE APPROVED CENTRE

WARD	NUMBER OF BEDS	NUMBER OF RESIDENTS	TEAM RESPONSIBLE
Department of Psychiatry	22	17	General Adult teams

QUALITY INITIATIVES 2012/2013

- Audits of benzodiazepine use and individual care plans were underway.
- A suicide prevention initiative had commenced.

PROGRESS ON RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE 2012 APPROVED CENTRE REPORT

1. All residents must have an individual care plan which meets the requirements of the Regulations.

Outcome: All residents had an individual care plan which met the requirements of the Regulations.

2. The seclusion facilities must be improved to allow full observation from outside the seclusion room. The Rules governing the use of seclusion must be complied with.

Outcome: There continued to be a blind area in the seclusion room which needs addressing.

3. Sector teams should be sufficiently well resourced to enable the provision of an adequate skill mix of staff.

Outcome: A senior social worker had been requested. There was an allocation for two psychologists but only one was in place.

4. The complaints procedure must be displayed in a prominent position in the approved centre.

Outcome: This recommendation was met in 2013.

5. The Code of Practice on Physical Restraint must be complied with.

Outcome: The approved centre was fully compliant with the Code of Practice on Physical Restraint.

PART TWO: EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS, RULES AND CODES OF PRACTICE, AND SECTION 60, MHA 2001

2.2 EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS UNDER MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001 SECTION 52 (d)

Article 4: Identification of Residents

The registered proprietor shall make arrangements to ensure that each resident is readily identifiable by staff when receiving medication, health care or other services.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

Photographs or identity bracelets were not used. Two staff administered medication. There was also a policy on the identification of residents.

Article 5: Food and Nutrition

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that residents have access to a safe supply of fresh drinking water.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that residents are provided with food and drink in quantities adequate for their needs, which is properly prepared, wholesome and nutritious, involves an element of choice and takes account of any special dietary requirements and is consistent with each resident's individual care plan.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>		X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>	X		
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was an adequate supply of drinking water.

A menu was available and the residents were able to choose their food by using a check card. All dietary requirements were catered for.

Article 6 (1-2): Food Safety

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure:

(a) the provision of suitable and sufficient catering equipment, crockery and cutlery

(b) the provision of proper facilities for the refrigeration, storage, preparation, cooking and serving of food, and

(c) that a high standard of hygiene is maintained in relation to the storage, preparation and disposal of food and related refuse.

(2) This regulation is without prejudice to:

(a) the provisions of the Health Act 1947 and any regulations made thereunder in respect of food standards (including labelling) and safety;

(b) any regulations made pursuant to the European Communities Act 1972 in respect of food standards (including labelling) and safety; and

(c) the Food Safety Authority of Ireland Act 1998.

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Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

An Environmental Health Officer's report was available dated April 2012. There were no recommendations specific to the approved centre.

The kitchen and dining room were stocked with utensils and crockery. Both dining area and kitchen area were clean.

Article 7: Clothing

The registered proprietor shall ensure that:

(1) when a resident does not have an adequate supply of their own clothing the resident is provided with an adequate supply of appropriate individualised clothing with due regard to his or her dignity and bodily integrity at all times;

(2) night clothes are not worn by residents during the day, unless specified in a resident's individual care plan.

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Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

No residents were in their night clothes.

A supply of clothing was maintained for residents who did not have their own clothing.

Article 8: Residents' Personal Property and Possessions

(1) For the purpose of this regulation "personal property and possessions" means the belongings and personal effects that a resident brings into an approved centre; items purchased by or on behalf of a resident during his or her stay in an approved centre; and items and monies received by the resident during his or her stay in an approved centre.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and procedures relating to residents' personal property and possessions.

(3) The registered proprietor shall ensure that a record is maintained of each resident's personal property and possessions and is available to the resident in accordance with the approved centre's written policy.

(4) The registered proprietor shall ensure that records relating to a resident's personal property and possessions are kept separately from the resident's individual care plan.

(5) The registered proprietor shall ensure that each resident retains control of his or her personal property and possessions except under circumstances where this poses a danger to the resident or others as indicated by the resident's individual care plan.

(6) The registered proprietor shall ensure that provision is made for the safe-keeping of all personal property and possessions.

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Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

Residents retained control over their own property. Valuables and monies over €100 were kept in a safe in the nurse's office. A property list was maintained. There was a policy on Residents' Personal Property and Possessions.

Article 9: Recreational Activities

The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre, insofar as is practicable, provides access for residents to appropriate recreational activities.

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Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was a number of recreational activities available which included table football, books, games, TV, radio, accompanied walks, Yoga, music sessions and gardening. Residents could also go the hospital coffee shop.

Article 10: Religion

The registered proprietor shall ensure that residents are facilitated, insofar as is reasonably practicable, in the practice of their religion.

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Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was a Roman Catholic chaplain in the hospital and a small oratory in the main part of the hospital. Contact phone numbers were maintained for ministers of other religions.

Article 11 (1-6): Visits

- (1) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that appropriate arrangements are made for residents to receive visitors having regard to the nature and purpose of the visit and the needs of the resident.*
- (2) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that reasonable times are identified during which a resident may receive visits.*
- (3) *The registered proprietor shall take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of residents and visitors.*
- (4) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the freedom of a resident to receive visits and the privacy of a resident during visits are respected, in so far as is practicable, unless indicated otherwise in the resident's individual care plan.*
- (5) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that appropriate arrangements and facilities are in place for children visiting a resident.*
- (6) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has written operational policies and procedures for visits.*

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

No specific visiting room was available but visitors could use the night sitting room which was private. It was also used for children visiting and was a safe area in this regard. Visiting time was flexible and it was evident that visitors were encouraged.

There was a policy in relation to Visits.

Article 12 (1-4): Communication

(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), the registered proprietor and the clinical director shall ensure that the resident is free to communicate at all times, having due regard to his or her wellbeing, safety and health.

(2) The clinical director, or a senior member of staff designated by the clinical director, may only examine incoming and outgoing communication if there is reasonable cause to believe that the communication may result in harm to the resident or to others.

(3) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and procedures on communication.

(4) For the purposes of this regulation "communication" means the use of mail, fax, email, internet, telephone or any device for the purposes of sending or receiving messages or goods.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
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Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There were no restrictions to residents' freedom to communicate. Mobile phones were allowed and post was received and sent by residents, unopened.

There was a policy in relation to Communication.

Article 13: Searches

- (1) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and procedures on the searching of a resident, his or her belongings and the environment in which he or she is accommodated.*
- (2) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that searches are only carried out for the purpose of creating and maintaining a safe and therapeutic environment for the residents and staff of the approved centre.*
- (3) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and procedures for carrying out searches with the consent of a resident and carrying out searches in the absence of consent.*
- (4) *Without prejudice to subsection (3) the registered proprietor shall ensure that the consent of the resident is always sought.*
- (5) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that residents and staff are aware of the policy and procedures on searching.*
- (6) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that there is be a minimum of two appropriately qualified staff in attendance at all times when searches are being conducted.*
- (7) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that all searches are undertaken with due regard to the resident's dignity, privacy and gender.*
- (8) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the resident being searched is informed of what is happening and why.*
- (9) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that a written record of every search is made, which includes the reason for the search.*
- (10) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and procedures in relation to the finding of illicit substances.*

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Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

No resident had been searched at the time of inspection. There was a policy in relation to Searches both with and without consent and a policy in relation to Finding of Illicit Substances.

Article 14 (1-5): Care of the Dying

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and protocols for care of residents who are dying.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that when a resident is dying:

(a) appropriate care and comfort are given to a resident to address his or her physical, emotional, psychological and spiritual needs;

(b) in so far as practicable, his or her religious and cultural practices are respected;

(c) the resident's death is handled with dignity and propriety, and;

(d) in so far as is practicable, the needs of the resident's family, next-of-kin and friends are accommodated.

(3) The registered proprietor shall ensure that when the sudden death of a resident occurs:

(a) in so far as practicable, his or her religious and cultural practices are respected;

(b) the resident's death is handled with dignity and propriety, and;

(d) in so far as is practicable, the needs of the resident's family, next-of-kin and friends are accommodated.

(4) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the Mental Health Commission is notified in writing of the death of any resident of the approved centre, as soon as is practicable and in any event, no later than within 48 hours of the death occurring.

(5) This Regulation is without prejudice to the provisions of the Coroners Act 1962 and the Coroners (Amendment) Act 2005.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

No death had occurred since January 2013 to the date of inspection. All terminally ill residents would be transferred to the general hospital service if required. There was a policy regarding Care of the Dying.

Article 15: Individual Care Plan

The registered proprietor shall ensure that each resident has an individual care plan.

[Definition of an individual care plan: "... a documented set of goals developed, regularly reviewed and updated by the resident's multi-disciplinary team, so far as practicable in consultation with each resident. The individual care plan shall specify the treatment and care required which shall be in accordance with best practice, shall identify necessary resources and shall specify appropriate goals for the resident. For a resident who is a child, his or her individual care plan shall include education requirements. The individual care plan shall be recorded in the one composite set of documentation".]

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X		X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>		X	
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

All residents had an individual care plan that met the requirements of the Regulations. There was evidence of service user involvement in that the service user signed their care plan.

Article 16: Therapeutic Services and Programmes

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that each resident has access to an appropriate range of therapeutic services and programmes in accordance with his or her individual care plan.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that programmes and services provided shall be directed towards restoring and maintaining optimal levels of physical and psychosocial functioning of a resident.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X		X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>		X	
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was evidence of therapeutic services and programmes outlined in individual care plans. There was also evidence of occupational therapy, social work and psychology input in the clinical files. There was an active occupational therapy department and each resident was assessed and assigned a programme relevant to their needs.

A nurse-led programme of therapies was at the planning stage and would offer pre-discharge planning, psychosocial education and anxiety management.

There was a relaxation room in the approved centre.

Article 17: Children's Education

The registered proprietor shall ensure that each resident who is a child is provided with appropriate educational services in accordance with his or her needs and age as indicated by his or her individual care plan.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	NOT APPLICABLE
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There had been no admission of a child since January 2013 to the time of inspection. There was a policy regarding Children's Education.

Article 18: Transfer of Residents

(1) When a resident is transferred from an approved centre for treatment to another approved centre, hospital or other place, the registered proprietor of the approved centre from which the resident is being transferred shall ensure that all relevant information about the resident is provided to the receiving approved centre, hospital or other place.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has a written policy and procedures on the transfer of residents.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

No resident had been transferred since January 2013 to the date of inspection. There was a transfer form and nursing staff would carry out a verbal handover as well as written information. There was a policy regarding Transfer of Residents.

Article 19 (1-2): General Health

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that:

(a) adequate arrangements are in place for access by residents to general health services and for their referral to other health services as required;

(b) each resident's general health needs are assessed regularly as indicated by his or her individual care plan and in any event not less than every six months, and;

(c) each resident has access to national screening programmes where available and applicable to the resident.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written operational policies and procedures for responding to medical emergencies.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The general hospital provided a good consultancy service and there was access to all screening and appropriate medical investigations.

One resident was in hospital for more than 6 months and had a physical review documented in the clinical file.

Article 20 (1-2): Provision of Information to Residents

(1) Without prejudice to any provisions in the Act the registered proprietor shall ensure that the following information is provided to each resident in an understandable form and language:

(a) details of the resident's multi-disciplinary team;

(b) housekeeping practices, including arrangements for personal property, mealtimes, visiting times and visiting arrangements;

(c) verbal and written information on the resident's diagnosis and suitable written information relevant to the resident's diagnosis unless in the resident's psychiatrist's view the provision of such information might be prejudicial to the resident's physical or mental health, well-being or emotional condition;

(d) details of relevant advocacy and voluntary agencies;

(e) information on indications for use of all medications to be administered to the resident, including any possible side-effects.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has written operational policies and procedures for the provision of information to residents.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			X
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

An information booklet outlining details of house-keeping and of the multidisciplinary team was available for residents. Advocacy services were clearly displayed.

No written information was available on request by the inspectors on diagnosis or medication.

Breach: 20(1) (c), (e)

Article 21: Privacy

The registered proprietor shall ensure that the resident's privacy and dignity is appropriately respected at all times.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X		
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>		X	X
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There were no curtains or blinds covering the observation window of one of the single rooms and a resident was clearly visible to passers-by lying on the bed in the room.

In all other areas privacy of residents was respected on the day of inspection.

Breach: 21

Article 22: Premises

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that:

(a) premises are clean and maintained in good structural and decorative condition;

(b) premises are adequately lit, heated and ventilated;

(c) a programme of routine maintenance and renewal of the fabric and decoration of the premises is developed and implemented and records of such programme are maintained.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has adequate and suitable furnishings having regard to the number and mix of residents in the approved centre.

(3) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the condition of the physical structure and the overall approved centre environment is developed and maintained with due regard to the specific needs of residents and patients and the safety and well-being of residents, staff and visitors.

(4) Any premises in which the care and treatment of persons with a mental disorder or mental illness is begun after the commencement of these regulations shall be designed and developed or redeveloped specifically and solely for this purpose in so far as it practicable and in accordance with best contemporary practice.

(5) Any approved centre in which the care and treatment of persons with a mental disorder or mental illness is begun after the commencement of these regulations shall ensure that the buildings are, as far as practicable, accessible to persons with disabilities.

(6) This regulation is without prejudice to the provisions of the Building Control Act 1990, the Building Regulations 1997 and 2001, Part M of the Building Regulations 1997, the Disability Act 2005 and the Planning and Development Act 2000.

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Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The approved centre was nicely decorated and was bright and airy. A sitting room was due for painting and this was in train. There was adequate seating and the approved centre was clean. There was plenty of space and areas where residents could sit and relax. The bedrooms were well decorated and furnished. A sitting room was available at night.

Article 23 (1-2): Ordering, Prescribing, Storing and Administration of Medicines

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has appropriate and suitable practices and written operational policies relating to the ordering, prescribing, storing and administration of medicines to residents.

(2) This Regulation is without prejudice to the Irish Medicines Board Act 1995 (as amended), the Misuse of Drugs Acts 1977, 1984 and 1993, the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 1998 (S.I. No. 338 of 1998) and 1993 (S.I. No. 338 of 1993 and S.I. No. 342 of 1993) and S.I. No. 540 of 2003, Medicinal Products (Prescription and control of Supply) Regulations 2003 (as amended).

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Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was a policy regarding the Ordering, Prescribing, Storing and Administration of Medicines.

Article 24 (1-2): Health and Safety

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has written operational policies and procedures relating to the health and safety of residents, staff and visitors.

(2) This regulation is without prejudice to the provisions of Health and Safety Act 1989, the Health and Safety at Work Act 2005 and any regulations made thereunder.

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Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

A Health and Safety Statement was available. There was a policy regarding Health and Safety.

Article 25: Use of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)

CCTV was not used in the approved centre.

Article 26: Staffing

- (1) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written policies and procedures relating to the recruitment, selection and vetting of staff.*
- (2) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the numbers of staff and skill mix of staff are appropriate to the assessed needs of residents, the size and layout of the approved centre.*
- (3) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that there is an appropriately qualified staff member on duty and in charge of the approved centre at all times and a record thereof maintained in the approved centre.*
- (4) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that staff have access to education and training to enable them to provide care and treatment in accordance with best contemporary practice.*
- (5) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that all staff members are made aware of the provisions of the Act and all regulations and rules made thereunder, commensurate with their role.*
- (6) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that a copy of the Act and any regulations and rules made thereunder are to be made available to all staff in the approved centre.*

WARD OR UNIT	STAFF TYPE	DAY	NIGHT
Department of Psychiatry	CNM3	1	1 (Acting)
	CNM2	1	0
	RPN	4	3

Clinical Nurse Manager (CNM), Registered Psychiatric Nurse (RPN), Non Consultant Hospital Doctor (NCHD), Director of Nursing, (DON), Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON).

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>			
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			X
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>	X	X	
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was only one social worker between three sectors. Two psychologists had been allocated to the service but only one in situ. There were 3.6 whole time equivalents (WTEs) occupational therapists which was an improvement of 2.6 WTEs since the inspection in 2012.

Staff were trained in control and restraint and had completed mandatory training in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and manual handling. A record of training was examined by the inspectors.

There was a policy on the recruitment, selection and vetting of staff.

Breach: 26 (2)

Article 27: Maintenance of Records

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that records and reports shall be maintained in a manner so as to ensure completeness, accuracy and ease of retrieval. All records shall be kept up-to-date and in good order in a safe and secure place.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre has written policies and procedures relating to the creation of, access to, retention of and destruction of records.

(3) The registered proprietor shall ensure that all documentation of inspections relating to food safety, health and safety and fire inspections is maintained in the approved centre.

(4) This Regulation is without prejudice to the provisions of the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003 and the Freedom of Information Acts 1997 and 2003.

The Inspectorate did not inspect and has no expertise in assessing fire risk

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X		
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>		X	X
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The approved centre had policies on the creation of, access to and retention of records but no policy on the destruction of records. This was similar to the finding in 2012.

The clinical files were reasonably well maintained but the initial section of the file was a random collection of documentation that required appropriate filing.

A fire inspection report was available dated December 2012 and related to the servicing of fire extinguishers and hose reels. A food safety report and the Safety Statement were available to inspectors for examination.

Breach: 27 (2)

Article 28: Register of Residents

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that an up-to-date register shall be established and maintained in relation to every resident in an approved centre in a format determined by the Commission and shall make available such information to the Commission as and when requested by the Commission.

(2) The registered proprietor shall ensure that the register includes the information specified in Schedule 1 to these Regulations.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The Register of Residents was in compliance with Schedule 1 of the Regulations.

Article 29: Operating policies and procedures

The registered proprietor shall ensure that all written operational policies and procedures of an approved centre are reviewed on the recommendation of the Inspector or the Commission and at least every 3 years having due regard to any recommendations made by the Inspector or the Commission.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

All written policies and procedures were in date and had a review date within three years.

Article 30: Mental Health Tribunals

(1) The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre will co-operate fully with Mental Health Tribunals.

(2) In circumstances where a patient's condition is such that he or she requires assistance from staff of the approved centre to attend, or during, a sitting of a mental health tribunal of which he or she is the subject, the registered proprietor shall ensure that appropriate assistance is provided by the staff of the approved centre.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

Mental Health Tribunals were facilitated.

Article 31: Complaint Procedures

- (1) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has written operational policies and procedures relating to the making, handling and investigating complaints from any person about any aspects of service, care and treatment provided in, or on behalf of an approved centre.*
- (2) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that each resident is made aware of the complaints procedure as soon as is practicable after admission.*
- (3) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the complaints procedure is displayed in a prominent position in the approved centre.*
- (4) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that a nominated person is available in an approved centre to deal with all complaints.*
- (5) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that all complaints are investigated promptly.*
- (6) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that the nominated person maintains a record of all complaints relating to the approved centre.*
- (7) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that all complaints and the results of any investigations into the matters complained and any actions taken on foot of a complaint are fully and properly recorded and that such records shall be in addition to and distinct from a resident's individual care plan.*
- (8) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that any resident who has made a complaint is not adversely affected by reason of the complaint having been made.*
- (9) *This Regulation is without prejudice to Part 9 of the Health Act 2004 and any regulations made thereunder.*

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>			X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>	X	X	
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The complaints procedure was clearly displayed and the nominated complaints officer was named. A record of complaints was examined by the inspectors. There was a policy regarding the making, handling and investigating of complaints.

Article 32: Risk Management Procedures

- (1) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre has a comprehensive written risk management policy in place and that it is implemented throughout the approved centre.*
- (2) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that risk management policy covers, but is not limited to, the following:*
- (a) *The identification and assessment of risks throughout the approved centre;*
 - (b) *The precautions in place to control the risks identified;*
 - (c) *The precautions in place to control the following specified risks:*
 - (i) *resident absent without leave,*
 - (ii) *suicide and self harm,*
 - (iii) *assault,*
 - (iv) *accidental injury to residents or staff;*
 - (d) *Arrangements for the identification, recording, investigation and learning from serious or untoward incidents or adverse events involving residents;*
 - (e) *Arrangements for responding to emergencies;*
 - (f) *Arrangements for the protection of children and vulnerable adults from abuse.*
- (3) *The registered proprietor shall ensure that an approved centre shall maintain a record of all incidents and notify the Mental Health Commission of incidents occurring in the approved centre with due regard to any relevant codes of practice issued by the Mental Health Commission from time to time which have been notified to the approved centre.*

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

There was a risk management policy which was in compliance with this Article of the Regulations. Each resident had a risk assessment and risk management plan. Incidents were recorded and where indicated were notified to the Mental Health Commission.

Article 33: Insurance

The registered proprietor of an approved centre shall ensure that the unit is adequately insured against accidents or injury to residents.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The Health Service Executive's State Indemnity Certificate was available.

Article 34: Certificate of Registration

The registered proprietor shall ensure that the approved centre's current certificate of registration issued pursuant to Section 64(3)(c) of the Act is displayed in a prominent position in the approved centre.

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2011	2012	2013
Fully compliant	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Article.</i>	X	X	X
Substantial compliance	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance with this Article but additional improvement needed.</i>			
Minimal compliance	<i>Effort has been made to achieve compliance with this Article but significant improvement is still needed.</i>			
Not compliant	<i>Service was unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Article.</i>			

Justification for this rating:

The Certificate of Registration was displayed.

2.3 EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH RULES – MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001 SECTION 52 (d)

SECLUSION

Use: Seclusion was used by the approved centre. One episode of seclusion had occurred in 2013 to the date of inspection.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
1	General principles	X			
3	Orders	X			
4	Patient dignity and safety	X			
5	Monitoring of the patient	X			
6	Renewal of seclusion orders	NOT APPLICABLE			
7	Ending seclusion	X			
8	Facilities		X		
9	Recording	X			
10	Clinical governance	X			
11	Staff training	X			
12	CCTV	NOT APPLICABLE			
13	Child patients	NOT APPLICABLE			

Justification for this rating:

The clinical files of two patients, one of whom had been secluded in 2012, were examined by inspectors. In both incidents of seclusion, the period of seclusion had been for a short period of time. There was documentary evidence in both clinical files that all other interventions had been considered to manage the patients' unsafe behaviour before the decision to use seclusion was made.

The seclusion register for both episodes of seclusion had been completed satisfactorily. The residents' next of kin had been informed. There was evidence in both clinical files that the resident was afforded the opportunity to discuss the episode of seclusion with members of the multidisciplinary team.

There was an excellent high observation area in which the seclusion room was situated. This high observation area included a "Time Out" room and TV sitting room, a large shower/toilet room and a nursing office.

The training record in relation to seclusion was examined by inspectors and was satisfactory. The approved centre had a written operational policy on the use of seclusion.

There was evidence of review of both episodes of seclusion documented in the respective clinical files.

There were two partial blind spots to the left and right of the door in the seclusion room which did not allow a full view of the patient.

Breach: 8.3

Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) (DETAINED PATIENTS)

Use: ECT was not used in the approved centre and no detained patient was in receipt of a programme of ECT in another centre.

MECHANICAL RESTRAINT

Use: Mechanical restraint was not used in the approved centre.

2.4 EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH CODES OF PRACTICE – MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001 SECTION 51 (iii)

PHYSICAL RESTRAINT

Use: Physical restraint was used in the approved centre.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
1	General principles	X			
5	Orders	X			
6	Resident dignity and safety	X			
7	Ending physical restraint	X			
8	Recording use of physical restraint	X			
9	Clinical governance	X			
10	Staff training	X			
11	Child residents	NOT APPLICABLE			

Justification for this rating:

One current resident had been physically restrained. The clinical file of this resident was examined. There was documentary evidence that all alternative interventions had been attempted prior to physical restraint being used. There was documentary evidence that a physical examination had been refused by the resident following the episode of physical restraint. However, in this clinical file there was evidence of on-going physical examinations. There was documentary evidence that the resident's next of kin had been informed of the episode of physical restraint. There was also evidence that the resident had been afforded the opportunity to discuss the episode of physical restraint with a member of the multidisciplinary team. The Clinical Practice Form book had been completed satisfactorily.

The training register in relation to physical restraint was examined by inspectors and was satisfactory. The approved centre had a policy on Physical Restraint.

ADMISSION OF CHILDREN

Description: No child had been admitted to the approved centre in 2013 to the date of inspection.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
2	Admission	NOT APPLICABLE			
3	Treatment	NOT APPLICABLE			
4	Leave provisions	NOT APPLICABLE			

Justification for this rating:

The approved centre was not suitable for the admission of children.

NOTIFICATION OF DEATHS AND INCIDENT REPORTING

Description: No death had occurred in the approved centre in 2013 to the date of inspection.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
2	Notification of deaths	NOT APPLICABLE			
3	Incident reporting	X			
4	Clinical governance (identified risk manager)		X		

Justification for this rating:

A summary of all incidents was submitted to the Mental Health Commission in keeping with the requirements of this Code of Practice. The Risk Management Policy, although compliant with Article 32 of the Regulations did not identify the risk manager or the person with responsibility for risk management within the mental health service.

Breach: 4.2

Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) FOR VOLUNTARY PATIENTS

Use: ECT was not used in the approved centre and no voluntary patient was in receipt of a programme of ECT in another centre.

ADMISSION, TRANSFER AND DISCHARGE

Part 2 Enabling Good Practice through Effective Governance

The following aspects were considered: 4. policies and protocols, 5. privacy confidentiality and consent, 6. staff roles and responsibility, 7. risk management, 8. information transfer, 9. staff information and training.

Level of compliance:

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
X			

Justification for this rating:

The approved centre had written admission, transfer and discharge policies. The approved centre was compliant with Article 23 Ordering, Prescribing, Storing and Administration of Medicines of the Regulations; Article 8 Residents' Personal Property and Possessions of the Regulations, Article 29 Operating Policies and Procedures of the Regulations and Article 32 of the Regulations in respect of Risk Management. Risk management was used in the approved centre and there was evidence of this in all of the clinical files examined. Relevant information accompanied all residents upon transfer to another approved centre, hospital or other place. The training register for nursing staff only was available for examination and was satisfactory.

Copies of all policies were available in the approved centre.

Part 3 Admission Process

The following aspects were considered: 10. pre-admission process, 11. unplanned referral to an Approved Centre, 12. admission criteria, 13. decision to admit, 14. decision not to admit, 15. assessment following admission, 16. rights and information, 17. individual care and treatment plan, 18. resident and family/carer/advocate involvement, 19. multidisciplinary team involvement, 20. key-worker, 21. collaboration with primary health care community mental health services, relevant outside agencies and information transfer, 22. record-keeping and documentation, 23. day of admission, 24. specific groups.

Level of compliance:

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
	X		

Justification for this rating:

One clinical file of a resident recently admitted was examined. The decision to admit was made by the non-consultant hospital doctor. Risk assessment was used. The resident had an individual care plan that was compliant with Article 15 of the Regulations. The service operated a key worker system. There was evidence of physical examination on admission. The approved centre was compliant with Article 7 Clothing, Article 8 Residents' Personal Property and Possessions, Article 15 Individual Care Plan and Article 27 Maintenance of Records. The approved centre was not fully compliant with Article 20 Provision of Information to Residents.

Breach: 16.3(c)

Part 4 Transfer Process

The following aspects were considered: 25. Transfer criteria, 26. decision to transfer, 27. assessment before transfer, 28. resident involvement, 29. multidisciplinary team involvement, 30. communication between Approved Centre and receiving facility and information transfer, 31. record-keeping and documentation, 32. day of transfer.

Level of compliance:

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
X			

Justification for this rating:

The clinical file of one resident who had been transferred to a hospital, and who had returned to the approved centre, was examined by inspectors. The decision to transfer the resident had been made by the registered medical practitioner in consultation with the resident. An assessment, including risk assessment had been completed by the approved centre. The resident's family had been informed of the necessity of transfer of the resident. The approved centre was compliant with Article 18 Transfer of Residents. The decision to transfer the resident was documented in the resident's clinical file. A copy of their referral letter was retained in the clinical file.

Part 5 Discharge Process

The following aspects were considered: 33. Decision to discharge, 34. discharge planning, 35. pre-discharge assessment, 36. multi-disciplinary team involvement, 37. key-worker, 38. collaboration with primary health care, community mental health services, relevant outside agencies and information transfer, 39. resident and family/carer/advocate involvement and information provision, 40. notice of discharge, 41. follow-up and aftercare, 42. record-keeping and documentation, 43. day of discharge, 44. specific groups.

Level of compliance:

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
NOT INSPECTED			

Justification for this rating:

The clinical file of one resident who had been discharged and which was requested for examination by inspectors, was not available in the approved centre.

HOW MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES SHOULD WORK WITH PEOPLE WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY AND MENTAL ILLNESS

Description: No resident had an intellectual disability and mental illness.

The following aspects were considered: 5. policies, 6. education and training, 7. inter-agency collaboration, 8. individual care and treatment plan, 9. communication issues, 10. environmental considerations, 11. considering the use of restrictive practices, 12. main recommendations, 13. assessing capacity.

Level of compliance:

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	MINIMAL COMPLIANCE	NOT COMPLIANT
X			

Justification for this rating:

The approved centre had a policy that reflected the principles of this Code of Practice. Education and training of staff in relation to this Code of Practice had taken place.

2.5 EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTIONS 60/61 MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001 (MEDICATION)

SECTION 60 – ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINE

Description: One patient had been detained under the Mental Health Act 2001 for a period that exceeded three months.

SECTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	NOT COMPLIANT
Section 60 (a)	X	
Section 60 (b)(i)	NOT APPLICABLE	
Section 60 (b)(ii)	NOT APPLICABLE	

Justification for this rating:

The patient had given their consent in writing to the continued administration of medication.

**SECTION 61 – TREATMENT OF CHILDREN WITH SECTION 25 MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001
ORDER IN FORCE**

Description: No child had been admitted to the approved centre in 2013 to the date of inspection.

SECTION THREE: OTHER ASPECTS OF THE APPROVED CENTRE

SERVICE USER INTERVIEWS

One service user spoke with the inspectors. They stated that they were happy with the service and also discussed some personal issues.

ADVOCACY

No advocacy report was available.

OVERALL CONCLUSIONS

The Department of Psychiatry, Roscommon was a pleasant spacious unit which was reasonably well maintained and furnished. The level of care was good and nursing staff were impressive in their enthusiasm and care of residents. In particular the inspectors were impressed with the procedure around caring for a behaviourally disturbed resident including use of the high dependency unit and seclusion.

All residents had care plans and despite the lack of social work and psychology, efforts were made to provide a therapeutic programme for residents. In most cases breaches of the Regulations were minor and only required attention to detail rather than any fundamental difficulty with compliance. However the approved centre is required to provide information on diagnosis and medication in written form and have it available for staff to give to residents.

RECOMMENDATIONS 2013

1. Information about diagnosis and medication must be available in written form.
2. Staffing of multidisciplinary teams with social workers and psychologists should take place.
3. The blind spots in the seclusion room must be addressed.