

Prestwick Care 12.4.22 Visits from Professionals To The Home

Managers and all staff are responsible for ensuring that external professionals comply with company IPC guidelines.

Please ensure that visiting professionals are made aware of the homes requirements and supported to access the equipment needed

| Vaccination | Testing | PPE needed during the visit | Evidence of testing |
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| <p>There is no requirement for visitors to the home from NHS or other organisations to be vaccinated therefore staff must not request evidence or record the vaccination status.</p> | <p>NHS staff should show evidence of a negative LFT taken in the last 72hrs or test on arrival (unless attending an emergency /999)</p> <p>CQC inspectors should test on the day of inspection and although they have legal right of entry they should be happy to show the result of the test prior to entering the home.</p> <p>Other professionals should be tested as per the guidance for visitors providing personal care (x 2 per week 3-4 days apart) and provide evidence</p> | <p>All professionals to wear an FRSM face mask while in the care home.</p> <p>Gloves and aprons are not required unless carrying out close personal contact. These must be donned and doffed using the same process that staff in the homes carry out.</p> | <p>Professionals visiting the home can evidence their test in the following ways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test from NHS showing date and result • Email from NHS showing date and test result • A date and time stamped photo of the LFT device evidencing that test was completed in last 72hrs • A signed letter from their manager confirming that they have tested negative in the last 72hrs. |