# CHT Healthcare Trust - CHT Acacia Park

## Introduction

This report records the results of a Certification Audit of a provider of aged residential care services against the Health and Disability Services Standards (NZS8134.1:2008; NZS8134.2:2008 and NZS8134.3:2008).

The audit has been conducted by Health and Disability Auditing New Zealand Limited, an auditing agency designated under section 32 of the Health and Disability Services (Safety) Act 2001, for submission to the Ministry of Health.

The abbreviations used in this report are the same as those specified in section 10 of the Health and Disability Services (General) Standards (NZS8134.0:2008).

You can view a full copy of the standards on the Ministry of Health’s website by clicking [here](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/regulation-health-and-disability-system/certification-health-care-services/health-and-disability-services-standards).

The specifics of this audit included:

**Legal entity:** CHT Healthcare Trust

**Premises audited:** CHT Acacia

**Services audited:** Hospital services - Geriatric services (excl. psychogeriatric); Rest home care (excluding dementia care)

**Dates of audit:** Start date: 22 June 2016 End date: 23 June 2016

**Proposed changes to current services (if any):** This audit has assessed the service as able to provide hospital (medical) level of service.

**Total beds occupied across all premises included in the audit on the first day of the audit:** 47

# Executive summary of the audit

## Introduction

This section contains a summary of the auditors’ findings for this audit. The information is grouped into the six outcome areas contained within the Health and Disability Services Standards:

* consumer rights
* organisational management
* continuum of service delivery (the provision of services)
* safe and appropriate environment
* restraint minimisation and safe practice
* infection prevention and control.

As well as auditors’ written summary, indicators are included that highlight the provider’s attainment against the standards in each of the outcome areas. The following table provides a key to how the indicators are arrived at.

**Key to the indicators**

| **Indicator** | **Description** | **Definition** |
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|  | Includes commendable elements above the required levels of performance | All standards applicable to this service fully attained with some standards exceeded |
|  | No short falls | Standards applicable to this service fully attained  |
|  | Some minor shortfalls but no major deficiencies and required levels of performance seem achievable without extensive extra activity | Some standards applicable to this service partially attained and of low risk |
|  | A number of shortfalls that require specific action to address | Some standards applicable to this service partially attained and of medium or high risk and/or unattained and of low risk |
|  | Major shortfalls, significant action is needed to achieve the required levels of performance | Some standards applicable to this service unattained and of moderate or high risk |

## General overview of the audit

CHT Acacia is owned and operated by the CHT Healthcare Trust. The service cares for up to 48 residents requiring hospital and rest home level care. On the day of the audit, there were 47 residents. A unit manager, who is well qualified and experienced for the role oversees the service and is supported by a clinical coordinator and the area manager. Residents, relatives and the GP interviewed spoke positively about the service provided.
This certification audit was conducted against the relevant Health and Disability standards and the contract with the district health board. The audit process included a review of policies and procedures, the review of residents and staff files, observations and interviews with residents, staff and management. This audit has assessed the service as able to provide hospital (medical) level of support to residents.
This audit has identified areas requiring improvement around care planning, monitoring records and medication administration documentation.

## Consumer rights

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| Includes 13 standards that support an outcome where consumers receive safe services of an appropriate standard that comply with consumer rights legislation. Services are provided in a manner that is respectful of consumer rights, facilities, informed choice, minimises harm and acknowledges cultural and individual values and beliefs. |  | Standards applicable to this service fully attained. |

Staff at CHT Acacia Park strive to ensure that care is provided in a way that focuses on the individual, values residents' autonomy and maintains their privacy and choice. The service functions in a way that complies with the Health and Disability Commissioner’s Code of Consumers’ Rights. Cultural needs of residents are met. Policies are implemented to support residents’ rights, communication and complaints management. Information on informed consent is included in the admission agreement and discussed with residents and relatives. Care plans accommodate the choices of residents and/or their family/whānau. Complaints and concerns have been managed and a complaints register is maintained.

## Organisational management

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| Includes 9 standards that support an outcome where consumers receive services that comply with legislation and are managed in a safe, efficient and effective manner. |  | Standards applicable to this service fully attained. |

The quality and risk management programme includes service philosophy, goals and a quality planner. Quality activities are conducted and this generates improvements in practice and service delivery. Meetings are held to discuss quality and risk management processes. Residents/family meetings have been held regularly. Health and safety policies, systems and processes are implemented to manage risk. Incidents and accidents are reported and followed through. An education and training programme has been implemented with a current training plan in place. Appropriate employment processes are adhered to and all employees have an annual staff appraisal completed. A roster provides sufficient and appropriate coverage for the effective delivery of care and support.

## Continuum of service delivery

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| Includes 13 standards that support an outcome where consumers participate in and receive timely assessment, followed by services that are planned, coordinated, and delivered in a timely and appropriate manner, consistent with current legislation. |  | Some standards applicable to this service partially attained and of medium or high risk and/or unattained and of low risk. |

The clinical coordinator manages entry to the service with assistance from the registered nurses. Comprehensive service information is available. A registered nurse completes initial assessments, including InterRAI assessments. The registered nurses complete care plans within the required timeframe. Care plans are clearly written and healthcare assistants report they are easy to follow. Residents and relatives interviewed confirmed they were involved in the care planning and review process. The general practitioner reviews the residents at least three monthly or more frequently if needed.

Each resident has access to an individual and group activities programme. The group programme is varied and interesting.

Medicines are stored appropriately in line with legislation and guidelines. Staff responsible for the administration of medication, complete annual competencies and medication education. General practitioners review resident’s medications at least three monthly.

Meals are prepared on site by a contracted agency under the direction of a dietitian. The menu is varied and appropriate. Individual and special dietary needs are catered for. Residents interviewed were complimentary about the food service.

## Safe and appropriate environment

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| Includes 8 standards that support an outcome where services are provided in a clean, safe environment that is appropriate to the age/needs of the consumer, ensure physical privacy is maintained, has adequate space and amenities to facilitate independence, is in a setting appropriate to the consumer group and meets the needs of people with disabilities. |  | Standards applicable to this service fully attained. |

The building has a current warrant of fitness and emergency evacuation plan. Reactive and planned maintenance is in place. Chemicals are stored safely throughout the facility. All bedrooms are single occupancy and have either their own ensuites or a shared ensuite toilet. There are sufficient communal showers. There is sufficient space to allow the safe movement of residents around the facility using mobility aids. There are communal dining rooms and lounges and a number of smaller seating areas. The internal areas are able to be ventilated and heated. The outdoor areas are safe and easily accessible. Cleaning contractors and laundry staff are providing appropriate services. Emergency systems and equipment are in place in the event of a fire or external disaster. There is a first aider on duty at all times.

## Restraint minimisation and safe practice

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| Includes 3 standards that support outcomes where consumers receive and experience services in the least restrictive and safe manner through restraint minimisation. |  | Standards applicable to this service fully attained. |

CHT Acacia Park has restraint minimisation and safe practice policies and procedures in place. Staff receive training in restraint minimisation and challenging behaviour management. On the day of audit, there were eight residents with restraint and one resident with an enabler. Restraint management processes are adhered to.

## Infection prevention and control

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| Includes 6 standards that support an outcome which minimises the risk of infection to consumers, service providers and visitors. Infection control policies and procedures are practical, safe and appropriate for the type of service provided and reflect current accepted good practice and legislative requirements. The organisation provides relevant education on infection control to all service providers and consumers. Surveillance for infection is carried out as specified in the infection control programme. |  | Standards applicable to this service fully attained. |

Infection control management systems are in place to minimise the risk of infection to consumers, service providers and visitors. The infection control programme is implemented and meets the needs of the organisation and provides information and resources to inform the service providers. Documentation evidences that relevant infection control education is provided to all service providers as part of their orientation and as part of the ongoing in-service education programme. The type of surveillance undertaken is appropriate to the size and complexity of the organisation. Standardised definitions are used for the identification and classification of infection events. Results of surveillance are acted upon, evaluated and reported to relevant personnel in a timely manner.

## Summary of attainment

The following table summarises the number of standards and criteria audited and the ratings they were awarded.

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| **Attainment Rating** | **Continuous Improvement****(CI)** | **Fully Attained****(FA)** | **Partially Attained Negligible Risk****(PA Negligible)** | **Partially Attained Low Risk****(PA Low)** | **Partially Attained Moderate Risk****(PA Moderate)** | **Partially Attained High Risk****(PA High)** | **Partially Attained Critical Risk****(PA Critical)** |
| **Standards** | 0 | 47 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **Criteria** | 0 | 98 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

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| **Attainment Rating** | **Unattained Negligible Risk****(UA Negligible)** | **Unattained Low Risk****(UA Low)** | **Unattained Moderate Risk****(UA Moderate)** | **Unattained High Risk****(UA High)** | **Unattained Critical Risk****(UA Critical)** |
| **Standards** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Criteria** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

# Attainment against the Health and Disability Services Standards

The following table contains the results of all the standards assessed by the auditors at this audit. Depending on the services they provide, not all standards are relevant to all providers and not all standards are assessed at every audit.

Please note that Standard 1.3.3: Service Provision Requirements has been removed from this report, as it includes information specific to the healthcare of individual residents. Any corrective actions required relating to this standard, as a result of this audit, are retained and displayed in the next section.

For more information on the standards, please click [here](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/regulation-health-and-disability-system/certification-health-care-services/health-and-disability-services-standards).

For more information on the different types of audits and what they cover please click [here](http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/services-and-support/health-care-services/services-older-people/rest-home-certification-and-audits).

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| **Standard with desired outcome** | **Attainment Rating** | **Audit Evidence** |
| Standard 1.1.1: Consumer Rights During Service DeliveryConsumers receive services in accordance with consumer rights legislation. | FA | The Health and Disability Commissioner Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights (the Code) policy and procedure is implemented. Discussions with staff (five healthcare assistants, two registered nurses (RN), one activities coordinator, one cook, one laundry, one clinical coordinator and one unit manager) confirm their familiarity with the Code. Interviews with eight residents (three rest home and five hospital) and three families (one rest home and two hospital) confirm the services being provided are in line with the Code. The Code is discussed at resident and staff meetings.  |
| Standard 1.1.10: Informed ConsentConsumers and where appropriate their family/whānau of choice are provided with the information they need to make informed choices and give informed consent. | FA | Informed consent processes are discussed with residents and families on admission. The resident or their EPOA sign written consents. Advanced directives are signed-for separately. There is evidence of discussion with family when the GP has completed a clinically indicated not for resuscitation order. Health care assistants and registered nurses interviewed confirmed verbal consent is obtained when delivering care. Family members are involved in decisions that affect their relative’s lives. All seven resident files sampled had a signed admission agreement signed on or before the day of admission. |
| Standard 1.1.11: Advocacy And SupportService providers recognise and facilitate the right of consumers to advocacy/support persons of their choice. | FA | A policy describes access to advocacy services. Staff receive training on advocacy. Information about accessing advocacy services information is available in the entrance foyer. This includes advocacy contact details. The information pack provided to residents at the time of entry to the service provides residents and family/whānau with advocacy information. Advocate support is available if requested. Interview with staff and residents informed they are aware of advocacy and how to access an advocate. |
| Standard 1.1.12: Links With Family/Whānau And Other Community ResourcesConsumers are able to maintain links with their family/whānau and their community.  | FA | Residents are encouraged to be involved in community activities and maintain family and friends networks. On interview, staff stated that residents are encouraged to build and maintain relationships. All residents interviewed confirmed that relative/family visiting could occur at any time. |
| Standard 1.1.13: Complaints Management The right of the consumer to make a complaint is understood, respected, and upheld.  | FA | The service has a complaints policy that describes the management of complaints process. There are complaint forms available throughout the facility. Information about complaints is provided on admission. Interview with residents demonstrated an understanding of the complaints process. All staff interviewed were able to describe the process around reporting complaints. There is a complaints register. There were three complaints made in 2016, year to date. All complaints reviewed had noted investigation, timeframes, corrective actions when required and resolutions were in place if required. Results are fed back to complainants. Discussions with residents confirmed that any issues are addressed and they feel comfortable to raise any concerns.  |
| Standard 1.1.2: Consumer Rights During Service DeliveryConsumers are informed of their rights. | FA | There are posters of the code of rights on display throughout the facility and leaflets are available in the foyer. The service is able to provide information in different languages and/or in large print if requested. Information is also given to next of kin or enduring power of attorney (EPOA) to read with the resident and discuss. On entry to the service, the unit manager discusses the information pack with the resident and the family/whānau. The information pack incudes a copy of the Code of Rights. |
| Standard 1.1.3: Independence, Personal Privacy, Dignity, And RespectConsumers are treated with respect and receive services in a manner that has regard for their dignity, privacy, and independence. | FA | The service has policies, which align with the requirements of the Privacy Act and Health Information Privacy Code. Staff were observed respecting resident’s privacy and could describe how they manage to maintain privacy and respect of personal property. All residents interviewed stated their needs were met. A policy describes spiritual care. Two church services occur on a fortnightly basis. All residents interviewed indicated that resident’s spiritual needs are being met when required.  |
| Standard 1.1.4: Recognition Of Māori Values And BeliefsConsumers who identify as Māori have their health and disability needs met in a manner that respects and acknowledges their individual and cultural, values and beliefs. | FA | The service has established cultural policies to help meet the cultural needs of its residents. There is a Māori health plan. One resident identified as Māori on the day of the audit. Cultural and spiritual practice is supported and identified needs are incorporated into the care planning process. Discussions with staff confirm that they are aware of the need to respond to cultural differences.  |
| Standard 1.1.6: Recognition And Respect Of The Individual's Culture, Values, And BeliefsConsumers receive culturally safe services which recognise and respect their ethnic, cultural, spiritual values, and beliefs.  | FA | The service has established cultural policies aimed at helping meet the cultural needs of its residents. All residents interviewed reported that they were satisfied that their cultural and individual values were being met. Information gathered during assessment including residents cultural beliefs and values, is used to develop a care plan. Staff receive training on cultural awareness. |
| Standard 1.1.7: DiscriminationConsumers are free from any discrimination, coercion, harassment, sexual, financial, or other exploitation. | FA | The facility has a staff code of conduct which states there will be zero tolerance against any discrimination occurring. The registered nurses supervise staff to ensure professional practice is maintained in the service. The abuse and neglect processes cover harassment and exploitation. All residents interviewed reported that the staff respected them. Job descriptions include responsibilities of the position, ethics, advocacy and legal issues. The orientation and employee agreement provided to staff on induction includes standards of conduct. |
| Standard 1.1.8: Good PracticeConsumers receive services of an appropriate standard. | FA | The service has policies to guide practice that aligns with the health and disability services standards, for residents with aged care needs. Staffing policies include pre-employment and the requirement to attend orientation and ongoing in-service training. Residents interviewed spoke positively about the care and support provided. Staff interviewed had a sound understanding of principles of aged care and stated that they feel supported by the management team. Staffing policies include the requirement to attend orientation and ongoing in-service training.  |
| Standard 1.1.9: CommunicationService providers communicate effectively with consumers and provide an environment conducive to effective communication. | FA | Residents interviewed stated they were welcomed on entry and given time and explanation about the services and procedures. Accident/incidents, complaints procedures and the policy around open disclosure alerts staff to their responsibility to notify family/next of kin of any accidents/incidents that occur. Twelve incidents/accidents forms were reviewed for June 2016. The forms included a section to record family notification. All forms indicated family were informed or if family did not wish to be informed. Relatives interviewed confirmed that they are notified of any changes in their family member’s health status.  |
| Standard 1.2.1: GovernanceThe governing body of the organisation ensures services are planned, coordinated, and appropriate to the needs of consumers. | FA | CHT Acacia Park is owned and operated by the CHT Healthcare Trust. CHT purchased the service in September 2015. The service provides rest home and hospital level care for up to 48 residents. On the day of the audit, there were 47 residents in total, 21 rest home level and 26 hospital level. This includes one resident (hospital level) on an ACC contract. All rooms are dual-purpose. The unit manager is a registered nurse and maintains an annual practicing certificate. She has been in the manager role at the facility for three years and continued as unit manager when CHT purchased the service. A clinical coordinator who has been in the position for three years supports her. The unit manager reports to the area manager weekly on a variety of operational issues. CHT has an overall business/strategic plan and CHT Acacia Park has a facility quality and risk management programme in place for the current year. The organisation has a philosophy of care, which includes a mission statement. The unit manager has completed in excess of eight hours of professional development in the past 12 months. |
| Standard 1.2.2: Service Management The organisation ensures the day-to-day operation of the service is managed in an efficient and effective manner which ensures the provision of timely, appropriate, and safe services to consumers.  | FA | In the absence of the unit manager, the clinical coordinator is in charge, with support from the area manager, the senior registered nurse and care staff. |
| Standard 1.2.3: Quality And Risk Management SystemsThe organisation has an established, documented, and maintained quality and risk management system that reflects continuous quality improvement principles. | FA | There is an organisational business/strategic plan that includes quality goals and risk management plans. Interviews with staff confirmed that quality data is discussed at monthly staff meetings to which all staff are invited. The unit manager advised that she is responsible for providing oversight of the quality programme. The quality and risk management programme is designed to monitor contractual and standards compliance. The service's policies are reviewed at national level, with input from facility staff every two years. New/updated policies are sent from head office, with a draft policy including InterRAI assessment requirements. Staff have access to manuals. Resident/relative meetings are held bi-monthly. At the time of the change of ownership the unit manager and area manager attended some of these meetings. Restraint and enabler use is reported within the clinical and staff meetings. Data is collected in relation to a variety of quality activities and an internal audit schedule has been completed in April 2016. Areas of non-compliance identified through quality activities are actioned for improvement. The service has a health and safety management system. There are implemented risk management, and health and safety policies and procedures in place including accident and hazard management. An annual residents/relatives satisfaction survey is due to be sent out in September 2016.  |
| Standard 1.2.4: Adverse Event Reporting All adverse, unplanned, or untoward events are systematically recorded by the service and reported to affected consumers and where appropriate their family/whānau of choice in an open manner.  | FA | There is an accidents and incidents reporting policy. The unit manager investigates accidents and near misses and analysis of incident trends occurs. There is a discussion of incidents/accidents at monthly clinical and staff meetings including actions to minimise recurrence. Twelve resident incident forms sampled demonstrated that appropriate clinical follow-up and investigation occurred following incidents. Discussions with the unit manager confirmed that there is an awareness of the requirement to notify relevant authorities in relation to essential notifications. There was appropriate notification made around a staff member who had developed influenza A in June 2015.  |
| Standard 1.2.7: Human Resource Management Human resource management processes are conducted in accordance with good employment practice and meet the requirements of legislation.  | FA | There are human resource management policies in place. This includes that the recruitment and staff selection process requires that relevant checks are completed to validate the individual’s qualifications, experience and veracity. A copy of practising certificates is kept. Seven staff files were reviewed (one clinical coordinator, two registered nurses, one activities coordinator and three health care assistants) and evidence that reference checks were completed before employment was offered. Annual staff appraisals were evident in all staff files reviewed. The service has an orientation programme in place that provides new staff with relevant information for safe work practice. The in-service education programme for 2015 has been completed and a plan for 2016 is being implemented. The unit manager and registered nurses are able to attend external training, including sessions provided by the local DHB. Five of the six registered nurses have completed InterRAI training. CHT Acacia Park are currently going for silver in the WorkWell programme and are working to improve the health and wellbeing of their workforce. |
| Standard 1.2.8: Service Provider Availability Consumers receive timely, appropriate, and safe service from suitably qualified/skilled and/or experienced service providers. | FA | CHT policy includes staff rationale and skill mix. Sufficient staff are rostered on to manage the care requirements of the residents. At least one registered nurse and two healthcare assistants are on duty at any one time 24/7. The registered nurse on each shift is aware that extra staff can be called on for increased resident requirements. Interviews with staff, residents and family members identify that staffing is adequate to meet the needs of residents. |
| Standard 1.2.9: Consumer Information Management Systems Consumer information is uniquely identifiable, accurately recorded, current, confidential, and accessible when required. | FA | The resident files are appropriate to the service type. Residents entering the service have all relevant initial information recorded within 24 hours of entry into the resident’s individual record. Residents' files are protected from unauthorised access by being locked away in the nurses’ stations. Informed consent to display photographs is obtained from residents/family/whānau on admission. Other residents or members of the public cannot view sensitive resident information. Entries in records are legible, dated and signed by the relevant healthcare assistant or registered nurse.  |
| Standard 1.3.1: Entry To Services Consumers' entry into services is facilitated in a competent, equitable, timely, and respectful manner, when their need for services has been identified. | FA | The service has comprehensive admission policies and processes in place. Residents receive an information pack outlining services provided, the admission process and entry to the service. The clinical coordinator screens all potential residents prior to entry and records all admission enquires in a hard copy system. Residents interviewed confirmed they received information prior to admission and had the opportunity to discuss the admission agreement with the manager and clinical coordinator. The admission agreement aligns with the requirements of the ARC contract.  |
| Standard 1.3.10: Transition, Exit, Discharge, Or Transfer Consumers experience a planned and coordinated transition, exit, discharge, or transfer from services.  | FA | There are policies in place to ensure the discharge of residents occurs correctly. Residents who require emergency admissions to hospital are managed appropriately and relevant information is communicated to the DHB. The service ensures appropriate transfer of information occurs. The facility uses the DHB hospital transfer form and yellow aged care envelope system (sighted in two files sampled). Relatives are notified if transfers occur (link rest home tracer 1.3.3). |
| Standard 1.3.12: Medicine Management Consumers receive medicines in a safe and timely manner that complies with current legislative requirements and safe practice guidelines. | PA Low | Medication management policies and procedures comply with medication legislation and guidelines. The RN on duty checks medications against the medication chart. Registered nurses administer medications and have completed competencies including syringe driver competency. Medication administration practice complies with the medication management policy for the medication administration sighted, with one exception. Medication prescribed is signed as administered on the pharmacy generated signing chart. One resident administration chart had incorrect signing. Three residents self-administer their own medicines, and the documentation was correctly recorded and a competency assessment was completed. Standing orders are in use and meet current guidelines. Fourteen medication charts were reviewed. All medication charts had been reviewed at least three monthly. Medication charts met the legislative requirements for the prescribing of regular medications. All prescriptions for ‘as required’ medications document the indication for use.  |
| Standard 1.3.13: Nutrition, Safe Food, And Fluid ManagementA consumer's individual food, fluids and nutritional needs are met where this service is a component of service delivery.  | FA | There is a fully functional kitchen and all food is cooked on site by contracted kitchen staff. There is a food services manual in place to guide staff. A resident nutritional profile is developed for each resident on admission and is provided to the kitchen staff. The kitchen is able to meet the needs of residents who require special diets and the chef manager works closely with the RNs on duty. Kitchen staff have completed food safety and chemical safety training. The kitchen manager and cooks follow a rotating four weekly seasonal menu, which has been reviewed by the contracted company’s dietitian. The cook (interviewed) was able to describe alternative meals offered for residents with dislikes and food is fortified for residents with weight loss. The temperatures of refrigerators, freezers and cooked foods are monitored and recorded. There is special equipment available for residents if required. All food is stored appropriately. Residents and the family members interviewed were happy with the quality and variety of food served.  |
| Standard 1.3.2: Declining Referral/Entry To Services Where referral/entry to the service is declined, the immediate risk to the consumer and/or their family/whānau is managed by the organisation, where appropriate.  | FA | The service records the reasons for declining service entry to potential residents should this occur and communicates this decision to potential residents/family/whānau. Anyone declined entry is referred back to the referring agency for appropriate placement and advice. Information on alternate placement options is provided. |
| Standard 1.3.4: Assessment Consumers' needs, support requirements, and preferences are gathered and recorded in a timely manner. | FA | Files sampled demonstrated that all appropriate personal needs information is gathered during admission in consultation with the resident and their relative where appropriate. Appropriate assessment tools were completed and the outcomes of assessments were reflected in the long-term care plans in resident files reviewed. The InterRAI assessment tool has been completed for all residents. The InterRAI assessments are completed six monthly or earlier if there are changes to the resident’s health status.  |
| Standard 1.3.5: Planning Consumers' service delivery plans are consumer focused, integrated, and promote continuity of service delivery. | PA Moderate | There is a comprehensive range of template headings. However, the long-term care plans reviewed did not always describe the support required to meet the resident’s goals and needs, and identified allied health involvement. Residents and relatives confirmed they are involved in the care planning and review process. Short-term care plans are in use for changes in health status. Care staff interviewed reported the care plans are readily available and they found the plans easy to follow. |
| Standard 1.3.6: Service Delivery/Interventions Consumers receive adequate and appropriate services in order to meet their assessed needs and desired outcomes. | PA Low | Registered nurses (RNs) (including the clinical coordinator) and HCAs, follow the care plan (link 1.3.5.2) and report progress against the care plan each shift at handover. If external nursing or allied health advice is required, the RNs will initiate a referral as evidenced in resident files. If external medical/specialist advice is required, this will be initiated by the GP. Staff have access to sufficient dressing supplies. Sufficient continence products are available and resident files include a continence assessment and plan in the care plan. Specialist continence advice is available as needed and this could be described. The service has previously provided care for residents at end of life and the clinical coordinator and registered nurses described appropriate practices and knowledge around caring for residents with medical needs (there were none at the time of the audit). Wound assessment, monitoring, wound management plans and short-term care plans are in place for four skin tears and one almost healed chronic wound. The RNs have access to specialist nursing wound care management advice through the district health board (DHB). Appropriate pressure injury interventions were documented in the care plans of residents identified as high risk of pressure injury.Blood sugar monitoring, regular weight monitoring, turning charts and intake and fluid balance charts were in use and sighted but these had not always been comprehensively documented. |
| Standard 1.3.7: Planned ActivitiesWhere specified as part of the service delivery plan for a consumer, activity requirements are appropriate to their needs, age, culture, and the setting of the service. | FA | A team of two activity coordinators are employed deliver the activities programme seven days a week. The activities provided meet the recreational preferences and abilities of the resident groups and include arts and crafts, exercises, walks and board games. Activities reflect ordinary patterns of life and include planned visits to the community. Activities are held in the lounges. One-on-one time is spent with residents who choose not to or are unable to participate in group activities. Each resident has an individual activities assessment on admission, which is incorporated into the InterRAI assessment process. An individual activities plan is developed for each resident in consultation with the resident/family. All long-term resident files sampled have a recent activities plan within the care plan and this is reviewed at least six monthly when the care plan is evaluated or a further InterRAI assessment occurs. Residents interviewed commented positively on the activity programme. |
| Standard 1.3.8: Evaluation Consumers' service delivery plans are evaluated in a comprehensive and timely manner. | FA | The registered nurses evaluate all initial care plans within three weeks of admission. The long-term care plan is evaluated at least six monthly or earlier if there is a change in health status. All care plans have recently been changed to the CHT template, but not all had yet been reviewed using the CHT documentation. There was evidence of previous review on the prior owner’s documentation. There is at least a three monthly review by the GP. All changes in health status are documented and followed up. Six monthly reassessments have been completed by RNs using InterRAI LTCF for all residents and for those who have had a significant change in health status. Short-term care plans are evaluated and resolved or added to the long-term care plan if the problem is ongoing, as sighted in resident files sampled. Where progress is different from expected, the service responds by initiating changes to the care plan. |
| Standard 1.3.9: Referral To Other Health And Disability Services (Internal And External)Consumer support for access or referral to other health and/or disability service providers is appropriately facilitated, or provided to meet consumer choice/needs.  | FA | The service facilitates access to other medical and non-medical services such as dietitian, social workers, psychiatry services and retinal screening. Referral documentation is maintained on resident files. The RNs initiate referrals to nurse specialists and allied health services. Other specialist referrals are made by the GPs. Referrals and options for care were discussed with the family, as evidenced in medical notes. Staff provided examples of where a resident’s condition had changed and the resident reassessed.  |
| Standard 1.4.1: Management Of Waste And Hazardous Substances Consumers, visitors, and service providers are protected from harm as a result of exposure to waste, infectious or hazardous substances, generated during service delivery. | FA | There are implemented policies in place to guide staff in waste management. Staff interviewed were aware of practices outlined in relevant policy. Gloves, aprons, and goggles are available and staff were observed wearing personal protective clothing while carrying out their duties. Infection prevention and control policies state specific tasks and duties for which protective equipment is to be worn. Chemicals sighted were labelled correctly and stored safely throughout the facility. Safety data sheets are available. |
| Standard 1.4.2: Facility Specifications Consumers are provided with an appropriate, accessible physical environment and facilities that are fit for their purpose. | FA | The building has a current building warrant of fitness that expires 30 March 2017. There is a maintenance person who works 25 hours per week. There is a reactive maintenance communication book and a planned maintenance plan in place for the internal and external building. All electrical equipment is tested and tagged two yearly. Clinical equipment is checked and calibrated annually. Hot water temperatures are monitored and managed within 43-45 degrees Celsius. The facility has sufficient space for residents to mobilise using mobility aids. External areas are well maintained. Residents have access to safely designed external areas that have shade. Staff stated they had sufficient equipment to safely deliver the cares, as outlined in the resident care plans. The service has sufficient equipment to meet the needs of current residents and sufficient equipment including suction and oxygen equipment, to meet the needs of medical level hospital residents.  |
| Standard 1.4.3: Toilet, Shower, And Bathing FacilitiesConsumers are provided with adequate toilet/shower/bathing facilities. Consumers are assured privacy when attending to personal hygiene requirements or receiving assistance with personal hygiene requirements. | FA | There are an adequate number of communal toilets and shower/bathing areas for residents. All communal toilets and shower rooms have vacant/engaged slide signs. All bedrooms have ensuites - most have toilet ensuites between two rooms and wing four has individual full ensuites in each room. Residents interviewed confirmed their privacy is assured when staff are undertaking personal cares.  |
| Standard 1.4.4: Personal Space/Bed Areas Consumers are provided with adequate personal space/bed areas appropriate to the consumer group and setting.  | FA | All residents’ rooms are of an appropriate size to allow cares to be provided for the assessed level of care and for the safe use and manoeuvring of mobility aids. Residents are encouraged to personalise their bedrooms.  |
| Standard 1.4.5: Communal Areas For Entertainment, Recreation, And DiningConsumers are provided with safe, adequate, age appropriate, and accessible areas to meet their relaxation, activity, and dining needs. | FA | The communal areas include a large open plan lounge and smaller seating areas. Activities take place in a number of areas throughout the facility. There is a rest home and hospital resident dining room. Communal rooms are easily accessible.  |
| Standard 1.4.6: Cleaning And Laundry ServicesConsumers are provided with safe and hygienic cleaning and laundry services appropriate to the setting in which the service is being provided. | FA | All laundry and cleaning is done on-site by a contracted service. A laundry/cleaning supervisor oversees the service. The laundry has entry and exit doors and there are defined clean/dirty areas. Clearing trolleys are well equipped and are stored safely when not in use. Staff have access to a range of chemicals, cleaning equipment and protective clothing. The standard of cleanliness and laundry process is monitored through the internal audit programme.  |
| Standard 1.4.7: Essential, Emergency, And Security Systems Consumers receive an appropriate and timely response during emergency and security situations. | FA | The fire evacuation plan has been approved by the fire service. There are emergency management plans in place to ensure health, civil defence and other emergencies are included. Six monthly fire evacuation practice documentation was sighted. Fire training and security situations are part of orientation of new staff and include competency assessments. There are adequate supplies in the event of a civil defence emergency including food, water and gas cooking. Short-term back up power for emergency lighting and the call bell system is in place.A minimum of one person trained in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is available at all times. There are call bells in the residents’ rooms, and lounge/dining room areas. Residents were observed to have their call bells in close proximity. The call bell system in the older part of the building is currently being upgraded to link with the main call bell system in the hospital wing. The building is secure after hours.  |
| Standard 1.4.8: Natural Light, Ventilation, And Heating Consumers are provided with adequate natural light, safe ventilation, and an environment that is maintained at a safe and comfortable temperature. | FA | General living areas and all resident rooms are appropriately heated and ventilated. All rooms have external windows that open allowing plenty of natural sunlight.  |
| Standard 3.1: Infection control managementThere is a managed environment, which minimises the risk of infection to consumers, service providers, and visitors. This shall be appropriate to the size and scope of the service.  | FA | Acacia Park has an infection control programme. The infection control programme, its content and detail, is appropriate for the size, complexity and degree of risk associated with the service. It is linked into the incident reporting system. A registered nurse is the designated infection control coordinator with support from the unit manager, the clinical coordinator and all staff as the quality management committee (infection control team). Minutes are available for staff. Spot audits have been conducted and include hand hygiene and infection control practices. Education is provided for all new staff on orientation. The infection control programme has been reviewed annually. |
| Standard 3.2: Implementing the infection control programmeThere are adequate human, physical, and information resources to implement the infection control programme and meet the needs of the organisation. | FA | A registered nurse at Acacia is the designated infection control (IC) coordinator. There are adequate resources to implement the infection control programme, for the size and complexity of the organisation. The IC nurse and IC team (comprising all staff) has good external support from the local laboratory infection control team and IC nurse specialist at the DHB. Infection prevention and control is part of staff orientation and induction. Hand washing facilities are available throughout the facility and alcohol hand gel is freely available.  |
| Standard 3.3: Policies and proceduresDocumented policies and procedures for the prevention and control of infection reflect current accepted good practice and relevant legislative requirements and are readily available and are implemented in the organisation. These policies and procedures are practical, safe, and appropriate/suitable for the type of service provided. | FA | There are CHT infection control policies and procedures appropriate for the size and complexity of the service. The infection control manual outlines a comprehensive range of policies, standards and guidelines and includes defining roles, responsibilities and oversight, the infection control team and training and education of staff. The policies have been reviewed and updated.  |
| Standard 3.4: Education The organisation provides relevant education on infection control to all service providers, support staff, and consumers. | FA | The infection control policy states that the facility is committed to the ongoing education of staff and residents. Formal infection control education for staff has occurred. The infection control coordinator has completed infection control training. Visitors are advised of any outbreaks of infection and are advised not to attend until the outbreak has been resolved. Information is provided to residents and visitors that is appropriate to their needs and this is documented in medical records.  |
| Standard 3.5: SurveillanceSurveillance for infection is carried out in accordance with agreed objectives, priorities, and methods that have been specified in the infection control programme. | FA | Infection surveillance is described in CHT’s infection control manual. Monthly infection data is collected for all infections based on signs and symptoms of infection. Short-term care plans are used. Surveillance of all infections is entered onto a monthly infection summary. This data is monitored and evaluated monthly and annually. Outcomes and actions are discussed at the facility meetings. If there is an emergent issue, it is acted upon in a timely manner. Reports are easily accessible to the unit manager. There have been no outbreaks since the previous audit. |
| Standard 2.1.1: Restraint minimisationServices demonstrate that the use of restraint is actively minimised.  | FA | The service has documented systems in place to ensure the use of restraint is actively minimised. There were eight residents with restraint and one resident with an enabler. All restraints and the enabler are bed rails. One enabler file sampled documented that enabler use is voluntary. All necessary documentation has been completed in relation to the restraints. Policies and procedures include definition of restraint and enabler that are congruent with the definition in NZS 8134.0. Staff training/education on restraint/enablers has recently been provided in May 2016. Restraint is discussed as part of staff meetings. A registered nurse is the designated restraint coordinator.  |
| Standard 2.2.1: Restraint approval and processesServices maintain a process for determining approval of all types of restraint used, restraint processes (including policy and procedure), duration of restraint, and ongoing education on restraint use and this process is made known to service providers and others.  | FA | A registered nurse is the restraint coordinator. Assessment and approval process for restraint use included the restraint coordinator, registered nurses, resident/or representative and medical practitioner. |
| Standard 2.2.2: AssessmentServices shall ensure rigorous assessment of consumers is undertaken, where indicated, in relation to use of restraint. | FA | The service completes comprehensive assessments for residents who require restraint or enabler interventions. These were undertaken by suitably qualified and skilled staff, in partnership with the family/whānau, in five restraint and one enabler resident files sampled. The restraint coordinator, the resident and/or their representative and a medical practitioner were involved in the assessment and consent process. In the files reviewed, assessments and consents were fully completed.  |
| Standard 2.2.3: Safe Restraint UseServices use restraint safely | FA | The restraint minimisation manual identifies that restraint is only put in place where it is clinically indicated and justified and approval processes are obtained/met. An assessment form is completed for all restraints and enablers. The files reviewed had a completed assessment form and a care plan that reflected risk. Monitoring forms that included regular monitoring at the frequency determined by the risk level were present in the files reviewed. The service has a restraint and enablers register, which is updated each month. |
| Standard 2.2.4: EvaluationServices evaluate all episodes of restraint. | FA | The service has documented evaluation of restraint every three months. In the files reviewed, evaluations had been completed with the resident, family/whānau and restraint coordinator. Evaluation timeframes are determined by policy and risk levels.  |
| Standard 2.2.5: Restraint Monitoring and Quality ReviewServices demonstrate the monitoring and quality review of their use of restraint. | FA | The service actively reviews restraint as part of the internal audit and reporting cycle. The restraint coordinator and unit manager complete the restraint review. Any adverse outcomes are reported at the monthly staff and bi-monthly health and safety meetings.  |

# Specific results for criterion where corrective actions are required

Where a standard is rated partially attained (PA) or unattained (UA) specific corrective actions are recorded under the relevant criteria for the standard. The following table contains the criterion where corrective actions have been recorded.

Criterion can be linked to the relevant standard by looking at the code. For example, a Criterion 1.1.1.1: Service providers demonstrate knowledge and understanding of consumer rights and obligations, and incorporate them as part of their everyday practice relates to Standard 1.1.1: Consumer Rights During Service Delivery in Outcome 1.1: Consumer Rights.

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| **Criterion with desired outcome** | **Attainment Rating** | **Audit Evidence** | **Audit Finding** | **Corrective action required and timeframe for completion (days)** |
| Criterion 1.3.12.1A medicines management system is implemented to manage the safe and appropriate prescribing, dispensing, administration, review, storage, disposal, and medicine reconciliation in order to comply with legislation, protocols, and guidelines. | PA Low | All medication administration charts reviewed documented that prescribed medications had been administered. One chart had a medication documented as administered more often than prescribed. As medication is prescribed in the amounts required, by the pharmacy, and there was no evidence that extra medication had been used, this was a documentation error. | One of the fourteen medication charts sampled had eight consecutive days where a medication prescribed every three days was signed as administered daily. This had been rectified and correctly documented for the week prior to the audit. The amount of medication available confirmed this was a documentation error and therefore low risk. | Ensure medication administration records document medication actually administered.30 days |
| Criterion 1.3.5.2Service delivery plans describe the required support and/or intervention to achieve the desired outcomes identified by the ongoing assessment process. | PA Moderate | Care plans had been completed by registered nurses using observations, GP recommendations and allied health input, to support the needs identified in InterRAI assessments. The physiotherapist reviews residents on admission and at regular intervals. When interviewed she reported taking a cautious approach to residents mobility support. The clinical manager and registered nurses reported that sometimes residents mobilise independently and the physiotherapist’s instructions are not always practical, so are not always reflected in the care plan. This had occurred in four care plans sampled. Warfarin use and the need for INR monitoring was identified in care plans for residents using warfarin, but other associated risks were not.  | (i) Three rest home resident care plans and one hospital care plan did not reflect the physiotherapist’s mobility instructions (noting the registered nurse assessment differed from the physiotherapist).(ii) One rest home care plan sampled and one hospital resident care plan sampled did not document all of the risks associated with warfarin use. | (i) Ensure that allied health instructions are reflected in care plans.(ii) Ensure that all identified risks and needs are addressed in care plans.60 days |
| Criterion 1.3.6.1The provision of services and/or interventions are consistent with, and contribute to, meeting the consumers' assessed needs, and desired outcomes. | PA Low | Healthcare assistants report that they are informed of any changes to residents required needs at handover. They report that all residents requiring turns, are turned at the required frequency or more often. This practice is supported by the low rate of pressure injuries at the facility. They also report that all residents are provided fluids (routinely) several times per day and when there is interaction with the resident. One fluid balance chart and a four-hourly turning chart were sighted, and were not comprehensively documented. Therefore, it is a documentation issue and considered low risk. | One fluid balance chart did not document regular fluid intake or registered nurse review and one four-hourly turning chart (both for a hospital level resident) did not consistently document four hourly turns. | Ensure that monitoring charts are documented to reflect interventions provided.90 days |

# Specific results for criterion where a continuous improvement has been recorded

As well as whole standards, individual criterion within a standard can also be rated as having a continuous improvement. A continuous improvement means that the provider can demonstrate achievement beyond the level required for full attainment. The following table contains the criterion where the provider has been rated as having made corrective actions have been recorded.

As above, criterion can be linked to the relevant standard by looking at the code. For example, a Criterion 1.1.1.1 relates to Standard 1.1.1: Consumer Rights During Service Delivery in Outcome 1.1: Consumer Rights

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