# Benhaven Care Limited - Camellia Resthome

## Introduction

This report records the results of a Certification Audit of a provider of aged residential care services against the Ngā paerewa Health and disability services standard (NZS8134:2021).

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

The abbreviations used in this report are the same as those specified in section 0.4 of the Ngā paerewa Health and disability services standard (NZS8134:2021).

You can view a full copy of the standard on the Manatū Hauora 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:** Benhaven Care Limited

**Premises audited:** Camellia Resthome

**Services audited:** Rest home care (excluding dementia care)

**Dates of audit:** Start date: 9 November 2023 End date: 10 November 2023

**Proposed changes to current services (if any):** None

**Total beds occupied across all premises included in the audit on the first day of the audit:** 29

# 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 sections contained within the Ngā paerewa Health and disability services standard:

* ō tātou motika **│** our rights
* hunga mahi me te hanganga │ workforce and structure
* ngā huarahi ki te oranga │ pathways to wellbeing
* te aro ki te tangata me te taiao haumaru │ person-centred and safe environment
* te kaupare pokenga me te kaitiakitanga patu huakita │ infection prevention and antimicrobial stewardship
* here taratahi │ restraint and seclusion.

As well as auditors’ written summary, indicators are included that highlight the provider’s attainment against the subsection in each of the sections. 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 subsections applicable to this service are fully attained with some subsections exceeded |
|  | No short falls | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained |
|  | Some minor shortfalls but no major deficiencies and required levels of performance seem achievable without extensive extra activity | Some subsections applicable to this service are partially attained and of low risk |
|  | A number of shortfalls that require specific action to address | Some subsections applicable to this service are 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 subsections applicable to this service are unattained and of moderate or high risk |

## General overview of the audit

Camellia Rest Home provides rest home level care for up to 30 residents. There were 29 residents on the days of audit. This certification audit was conducted against the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standards (2021) and the contracts with the Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand – Waikato. The audit process included the review of policies and procedures, the review of residents and staff files, observations, interviews with residents, family, management, staff, and a general practitioner.

The facility manager is appropriately qualified and experienced and is supported by a clinical nurse manager (registered nurse). There are quality systems and processes being implemented. Feedback from residents and families was very positive about the care and the services provided. An induction and in-service training programme are in place to provide staff with appropriate knowledge and skills to deliver care.

This certification audit identified shortfalls in medication management, progress notes, care plan interventions, updates, evaluations, and whānau involvement in the care planning process.

## Ō tātou motika │ Our rights

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| Includes 10 subsections that support an outcome where people receive safe services of an appropriate standard that comply with consumer rights legislation. Services are provided in a manner that is respectful of people’s rights, facilitates informed choice, minimises harm,  and upholds cultural and individual values and beliefs. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

Camellia Rest Home provides an environment that supports resident rights and safe care. Staff demonstrated an understanding of residents' rights and obligations. There is a Māori and Pacific health plan. The service works to provide high-quality and effective services and care for residents.

Residents receive services in a manner that considers their dignity, privacy, and independence. The service provides services and support to people in a way that is inclusive and respects their identity and their experiences. The service listens and respects the voices of the residents and effectively communicates with them about their choices. Care plans accommodate the choices of residents and/or their family/whānau. There is evidence that residents and family are kept informed. The rights of the resident and/or their family to make a complaint is understood, respected, and upheld by the service. Complaints processes are implemented, and complaints and concerns are actively managed and well-documented.

## Hunga mahi me te hanganga │ Workforce and structure

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| Includes five subsections that support an outcome where people receive quality services through effective governance and a supported workforce. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The business plan includes a mission statement and operational objectives. The service has effective quality and risk management systems in place that take a risk-based approach, and these systems meet the needs of residents and their staff. Quality improvement projects are implemented. Internal audits, meetings, and collation of data were all documented as taking place as scheduled, with corrective actions as indicated.

There is a staffing and rostering policy. Human resources are managed in accordance with good employment practice. A role specific orientation programme and regular staff education and training are in place. The service ensures the collection, storage, and use of personal and health information of residents is secure, accessible, and confidential.

## Ngā huarahi ki te oranga │ Pathways to wellbeing

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| Includes eight subsections that support an outcome where people participate in the development of their pathway to wellbeing, and receive timely assessment, followed by services that are planned, coordinated, and delivered in a manner that is tailored to their needs. |  | Some subsections applicable to this service are partially attained and of medium or high risk and/or unattained and of low risk. |

Camellia rest home has an admission package available prior to, or on entry to the service. The registered nurses are responsible for each stage of service provision. The registered nurses assess, plan and review residents' needs, outcomes, and goals with family/whānau input. The care plans viewed demonstrate service integration. Resident files included medical notes by the general practitioner, nurse practitioner and other allied health professionals.

Medication policies reflect legislative requirements and guidelines. The registered nurses and carers responsible for administration of medicines complete annual education and medication competencies. The electronic medicine charts reviewed meet prescribing requirements and are reviewed at least three-monthly by the general practitioner.

There is an interesting and varied activities programme that includes cultural celebrations which the activity coordinators implement. The programme includes community visitors and outings, entertainment and activities that meet the individual recreational, physical, cultural, and cognitive abilities and resident preferences. Residents are supported to maintain links within the community.

The registered nurses identify residents' food preferences and dietary requirements at admission. All food and baking is prepared and cooked on-site in the kitchen. Food, fluid, and nutritional needs of residents are provided in line with recognised nutritional guidelines, and additional requirements/modified needs were being met. The service has a current food control plan.

Transfers and discharges are coordinated between services.

## Te aro ki te tangata me te taiao haumaru │ Person-centred and safe environment

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| Includes two subsections that support an outcome where Health and disability services are provided in a safe environment appropriate to the age and needs of the people receiving services that facilitates independence and meets the needs of people with disabilities. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The building holds a current warrant of fitness. All rooms are single occupancy, spacious enough to provide personal cares and are personalised. Fixtures, fittings, and flooring are appropriate. Maintenance is done on a daily or an ‘as required’ basis with plans for preventative maintenance. Residents freely mobilise within the communal areas, with safe access to the outdoors, seating, and shade.

Appropriate training, information, and equipment for responding to emergencies are provided. There is an emergency management plan in place and adequate civil defence supplies in the event of an emergency, including Covid-19. There are emergency supplies for at least seven days.

Fire drills occur six-monthly. The building is secure at night to ensure the safety of residents and staff. There is always a staff member on duty and on outings with a current first aid certificate. Appropriate security checks and measures are completed by staff.

## Te kaupare pokenga me te kaitiakitanga patu huakita │Infection prevention and antimicrobial stewardship

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| Includes five subsections that support an outcome where Health and disability service providers’ infection prevention (IP) and antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) strategies define a clear vision and purpose, with quality of care, welfare, and safety at the centre. The IP and AMS programmes are up to date and informed by evidence and are an expression of a strategy that seeks to maximise quality of care and minimise infection risk and adverse effects from antibiotic use, such as antimicrobial resistance. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

Infection prevention management systems are in place to minimise the risk of infection to residents, 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 evidenced that relevant infection control education is provided to all staff as part of their orientation and as part of the ongoing in-service education programme. Antimicrobial usage is monitored. 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. Pandemic response (including Covid-19) plans are in place and the service has access to personal protective equipment supplies. There has been one outbreak (Covid-19) since the previous audit.

Chemicals are stored securely throughout the facility. Staff receive training and education to ensure safe and appropriate handling of waste and hazardous substances, there are documented processes in place, and incidents are reported in a timely manner. Fixtures, fittings, and flooring are appropriate and toilet/shower facilities are constructed for ease of cleaning. Documented policies and procedures for the cleaning and laundry services are implemented with appropriate monitoring systems in place to evaluate the effectiveness of these services.

## Here taratahi │ Restraint and seclusion

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| Includes four subsections that support outcomes where Services shall aim for a restraint and seclusion free environment, in which people’s dignity and mana are maintained. |  | Subsections applicable to this service are fully attained. |

The restraint coordinator is the clinical nurse manager. The service considers least restrictive practices, implementing de-escalation techniques and alternative interventions, and would only use an approved restraint as the last resort. There were no residents using restraint at the time of the audit.

## Summary of attainment

The following table summarises the number of subsections 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)** |
| **Subsection** | 0 | 25 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **Criteria** | 0 | 164 | 0 | 4 | 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)** |
| **Subsection** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Criteria** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

# Attainment against the Ngā paerewa Health and disability services standard

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

For more information on the standard, 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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| **Subsection with desired outcome** | **Attainment Rating** | **Audit Evidence** |
| Subsection 1.1: Pae ora healthy futures  Te Tiriti: Māori flourish and thrive in an environment that enables good health and wellbeing. As service providers: We work collaboratively to embrace, support, and encourage a Māori worldview of health and provide high-quality, equitable, and effective services for Māori framed by Te Tiriti o Waitangi. | FA | A Māori Health Plan is documented for the service. This policy acknowledges the Te Tiriti o Waitangi as a founding document for New Zealand. The service does currently have residents who identify as Māori.  Cultural training for staff begins during their orientation and continues as a regular in-service topic. Training covers discussions in relation to the importance of the Treaty of Waitangi and how the principles of partnership, protection and participation are enacted in the work with residents. Elements of this are woven through other training as appropriate. All staff have access to relevant Tikanga guidelines.  Key relationships with Māori are in place through consultation with existing Māori staff, whānau, and the manager’s extensive links in the community. The service supports increasing Māori capacity by employing more Māori staff members. At the time of the audit there were Māori staff members. Staff members interviewed stated that they are supported in a culturally safe way and staff are encouraged to use both te reo Māori and relevant tikanga in their work with the residents, as detailed in the Māori health plan and tikanga guidelines.  Three residents and five family/whānau reported they are involved in providing input into the resident’s care planning, their activities, and their dietary needs. Six staff members interviewed; two caregivers, one cook, and one activity coordinator, an activities assistant, and a kitchen assistant described how care is based on the resident’s individual values, beliefs, and preferences. Care plans included the physical, spiritual, family/whānau, and psychological health of the residents. |
| Subsection 1.2: Ola manuia of Pacific peoples in Aotearoa  The people: Pacific peoples in Aotearoa are entitled to live and enjoy good health and wellbeing. Te Tiriti: Pacific peoples acknowledge the mana whenua of Aotearoa as tuakana and commit to supporting them to achieve tino rangatiratanga. As service providers: We provide comprehensive and equitable health and disability services underpinned by Pacific worldviews and developed in collaboration with Pacific peoples for improved health outcomes. | FA | Camellia Rest Home recognises the uniqueness of Pacific cultures and the importance of recognising that dignity and the sacredness of life are integral in the service delivery of Health and Disability Services for Pacific people. There is a comprehensive Pacific Health plan documented, with policy based on the Ministry of Health Ola Manuia: Pacific Health and Wellbeing Action Plan 2020-2025.  On the day of audit there were no Pasifika residents living at Camellia Rest Home. There is a process to gather ethnicity information and Pacific people’s cultural beliefs and practices during the admission process, which would then be entered into the residents’ files. Whānau are encouraged to be present during the admission process and the service welcomes input from residents and family when documenting the initial care plan. Individual cultural beliefs are documented in the activities profile, activities plan, and care plan.  The service is actively recruiting new staff. The facility manager confirmed that the service would encourage and support any applicants that identify as Pasifika, during the interview process. There were no staff that identified as Pasifika at the time of the audit.  Interviews with management, staff members, residents, and relatives identified that the service puts people using the services, whānau, and the Camellia Rest Home community at the heart of their services. The service has links to a local Pacific Island church to access community links and facilitate equitable employment opportunities for the Pasifika community. |
| Subsection 1.3: My rights during service delivery  The People: My rights have meaningful effect through the actions and behaviours of others. Te Tiriti:Service providers recognise Māori mana motuhake (self-determination). As service providers: We provide services and support to people in a way that upholds their rights and complies with legal requirements. | FA | The Health and Disability Commissioner’s (HDC) Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights (the Code) is displayed in multiple locations. Details relating to the Code are included in the information that is provided to new residents and their family. The facility manager, or clinical nurse manager discusses aspects of the Code with residents and their whānau on admission.  Discussions relating to the Code are also held during the bi-monthly resident/whānau meetings. All residents and whānau interviewed reported that the residents’ rights are being upheld by the service. Interactions observed between staff and residents during the audit were respectful.  Information about the Nationwide Health and Disability Advocacy Service and the resident advocacy is available near the entrance to the facility and in the entry pack of information provided to residents and their family/whānau. There are links to spiritual support through the local churches. Church services are held regularly.  Staff receive education in relation to the Code at orientation and through the education and training programme which includes (but is not limited to) understanding the role of advocacy services. Advocacy services are linked to the complaints process.  The service recognises Māori mana motuhake: self-determination, independence, sovereignty, authority, as evidenced in their Māori health plan and through interviews with management and staff. |
| Subsection 1.4: I am treated with respect  The People: I can be who I am when I am treated with dignity and respect. Te Tiriti: Service providers commit to Māori mana motuhake. As service providers: We provide services and support to people in a way that is inclusive and respects their identity and their experiences. | FA | Care staff interviewed described how they support residents to choose what they want to do. Residents interviewed stated they have choice. Residents are supported to make decisions about whether they would like family members to be involved in their care. Residents have control and choice over activities they participate in.  It was observed that residents are treated with dignity and respect. Resident/family satisfaction survey results (most recent June 2023) confirm that residents are treated with respect. This was also confirmed during interviews with residents and family.  A sexuality and intimacy policy is in place. Staff interviewed stated they respect each resident’s right to have space for intimate relationships. Staff were observed to use person-centred and respectful language with residents. Residents interviewed were positive about the service in relation to their values and beliefs being considered and met. Privacy is ensured and independence is encouraged.  Six residents' files reviewed identified residents’ preferred names. Values and beliefs information is gathered on admission with family involvement and is integrated into the residents' care plans. Spiritual needs are identified. A spirituality policy is in place.  Te reo Māori signage was evident in a range of locations. Te Tiriti o Waitangi and tikanga Māori training are in place. The Māori health plan acknowledges te ao Māori, referencing the interconnectedness and interrelationship of all living & non-living things. Written information referencing Te Tiriti o Waitangi is available for residents and staff to refer to. |
| Subsection 1.5: I am protected from abuse  The People: I feel safe and protected from abuse. Te Tiriti: Service providers provide culturally and clinically safe services for Māori, so they feel safe and are protected from abuse. As service providers: We ensure the people using our services are safe and protected from abuse. | FA | A staff code of conduct is discussed during the new employee’s induction to the service with evidence of staff signing the code of conduct policy. This code of conduct policy addresses the elimination of discrimination, harassment, and bullying. All staff are held responsible for creating a positive, inclusive and a safe working environment. Staff are encouraged to address issues of racism and to recognise own bias. The service promotes a strengths-based and holistic model to ensure wellbeing outcomes for their Māori residents is prioritised. Review of resident care plans identified goals of care included interventions to promote positive outcomes, and care staff interviewed confirmed an understanding of holistic care for all residents.  Staff complete education during orientation and annually as per the training plan on how to identify abuse and neglect. Staff are educated on how to value the older person, showing them respect and dignity. All residents and whānau interviewed confirmed that staff are very caring, supportive, and respectful.  Police checks are completed as part of the employment process. The service implements a process to manage residents’ comfort funds, such as sundry expenses. Professional boundaries are defined in job descriptions and are covered as part of orientation. All staff members interviewed confirmed their understanding of professional boundaries, including the boundaries of their role and responsibilities. |
| Subsection 1.6: Effective communication occurs  The people: I feel listened to and that what I say is valued, and I feel that all information exchanged contributes to enhancing my wellbeing. Te Tiriti: Services are easy to access and navigate and give clear and relevant health messages to Māori. As service providers: We listen and respect the voices of the people who use our services and effectively communicate with them about their choices. | FA | Information about the service is provided to residents and whānau on admission. Bi-monthly resident meetings identify feedback from residents and consequent follow-up by the service.  Policies and procedures relating to accident/incidents, complaints, and open disclosure alert staff to their responsibility to notify whānau/next of kin of any accident/incident that occurs. Accident/incident forms have a section to indicate if next of kin have been informed (or not) of an accident/incident. This is also documented in the progress notes. Twelve accident/incident forms reviewed identified whānau/next of kin are kept informed, and this was confirmed through the interviews with family members.  An interpreter policy and contact details of interpreters are available. Interpreter services are used where indicated. At the time of the audit all residents could speak and understand English. Caregivers and the clinical nurse manager interviewed described how they would assist any resident that did not speak English with interpreters or resources to communicate as the need arises.  Non-subsidised residents are advised in writing of their eligibility and the process to become a subsidised resident should they wish to do so. The residents and next of kin are informed prior to entry of the scope of services and any items that are not covered by the agreement.  The delivery of care includes a multidisciplinary team and residents/relatives provide consent and are communicated with regarding the range of services available. Health professionals involved with the residents may include specialist services. The clinical nurse manager described an implemented process around providing residents with time for discussion around care, time to consider decisions, and opportunities for further discussion, if required. |
| Subsection 1.7: I am informed and able to make choices  The people: I know I will be asked for my views. My choices will be respected when making decisions about my wellbeing. If my choices cannot be upheld, I will be provided with information that supports me to understand why. Te Tiriti: High-quality services are provided that are easy to access and navigate. Providers give clear and relevant messages so that individuals and whānau can effectively manage their own health, keep well, and live well. As service providers: We provide people using our services or their legal representatives with the information necessary to make informed decisions in accordance with their rights and their ability to exercise independence, choice, and control. | FA | There are policies around informed consent. The six resident files reviewed included signed general consent forms and other consent to include vaccinations, outings, and photographs. Residents and relatives interviewed could describe what informed consent was and knew they had the right to choose. There is an advance directive policy.  In the files reviewed, there were appropriately signed resuscitation plans and advance directives in place. Discussions with relatives demonstrated they are involved in the decision-making process, and in the planning of resident’s care. Admission agreements are signed and were sighted in all the files seen. Copies of enduring power of attorneys (EPOAs) and activation letters were on resident files where required. The service has Māori tikanga guidelines available for staff to ensure they can provide appropriate information for residents, family/whānau, and in care planning as required. |
| Subsection 1.8: I have the right to complain  The people: I feel it is easy to make a complaint. When I complain I am taken seriously and receive a timely response. Te Tiriti: Māori and whānau are at the centre of the health and disability system, as active partners in improving the system and their care and support. As service providers: We have a fair, transparent, and equitable system in place to easily receive and resolve or escalate complaints in a manner that leads to quality improvement. | FA | The complaints procedure is provided to residents and relatives on entry to the service. The service maintains a record of all complaints, both verbal and written on the complaints register. There have been no complaints in 2023 year to date since the previous audit in August 2022. There have been no external complaints received.  The management team could evidence the complaint documentation process including acknowledgement, investigation, follow-up letters and resolution to demonstrate that any complaints received would be managed in accordance with guidelines set by the Health and Disability Commissioner (HDC).  Staff interviewed confirmed they would be informed of complaints (and any subsequent corrective actions) in the monthly staff meetings (meeting minutes sighted).  Discussions with residents and relatives confirmed they were provided with information on the complaints process, and complaints forms are available near the entrance to the facility. Residents have a variety of avenues they can choose from to make a complaint or express a concern. Resident meetings are held bi-monthly. Communication is maintained with individual residents with updates at activities and mealtimes and one on one reviews Residents and/or whanau making a complaint can involve an independent support person in the process if they choose. On interview residents and whānau stated they felt comfortable to raise issues of concern with management at any time.  The complaints process is equitable for Māori, and the management team are aware of the preference of face-to-face interactions for some Māori. |
| Subsection 2.1: Governance  The people: I trust the people governing the service to have the knowledge, integrity, and ability to empower the communities they serve. Te Tiriti: Honouring Te Tiriti, Māori participate in governance in partnership, experiencing meaningful inclusion on all governance bodies and having substantive input into organisational operational policies. As service providers: Our governance body is accountable for delivering a highquality service that is responsive, inclusive, and sensitive to the cultural diversity of communities we serve. | FA | Camellia Rest Home is located in Te Awamutu. Camellia Rest Home provides care for up to 30 residents at rest home level care. On the day of the audit there were 29 residents. All residents were under the aged related residential care (ARRC) agreement.  Camellia Rest Home is the trading name of Benhaven Care Limited - Camellia Rest Home - a privately owned company with two directors (one of whom is the facility manager). Camellia Rest Home has a current business plan (2023-2024) in place with clear goals to support their documented vision, mission, and values. The values espouse caring, personalised care, from a longstanding dedicated team of care staff. The directors were knowledgeable around legislative and contractual requirements and are experienced in the age care sector.  A mission, philosophy and objectives are documented for the service. The monthly meeting provides an opportunity to review the day-to-day operations and to review progress towards meeting the business objectives. The manager and director analyse internal processes, business planning and service development to improve outcomes and achieve equity for Māori; and to identify and address barriers for Māori for equitable service delivery, this includes input from a Māori cultural advisor. The annual resident survey evidenced improved outcomes and equity for tāngata whaikaha people with disabilities. Collaboration with staff and whānau who identify as Māori and/or tāngata whaikaha (the disability sector) reflect their input for the provision of equitable delivery of care.  The director, facility manager, and clinical nurse manager have demonstrated expertise in Te Tiriti, health equity, and cultural safety as core competencies through attending the same training as the facility staff members. |
| Subsection 2.2: Quality and risk  The people: I trust there are systems in place that keep me safe, are responsive, and are focused on improving my experience and outcomes of care. Te Tiriti: Service providers allocate appropriate resources to specifically address continuous quality improvement with a focus on achieving Māori health equity. As service providers: We have effective and organisation-wide governance systems in place relating to continuous quality improvement that take a risk-based approach, and these systems meet the needs of people using the services and our health care and support workers. | FA | Camellia Rest Home has an implemented quality and risk management system. Quality and risk performance is reported in the monthly staff meetings and to the manager/director. Annual quality improvement goals are described and include plans to achieve these goals. Interviews with the management team and staff confirmed both their understanding and involvement in quality and risk management practices.  Policies and procedures align with current good practice, and they are suitable to support rest home levels of care. Policies are reviewed a minimum of two-yearly, modified (where appropriate) and implemented. New policies are discussed with staff. The review of policies and quality goals, monthly monitoring of clinical indicators and adherence to the Ngā Paerewa standards are processes that provide a critical analysis of practice to improve health equity.  Quality management systems are linked to internal audits, incident and accident reporting, health and safety reporting, infection control data collection and complaints management. Data is collected for a range of adverse event data and is collated and analysed. Ethnicities are documented as part of the resident’s entry profile and any extracted quality indicator data can be critically analysed for comparisons and trends to improve health equity. An internal audit programme is being implemented. Corrective actions are implemented where improvements are identified. Examples of quality improvements implemented since the previous audit include (but are not limited to): new oven, new dishwasher, new TV in the lounge, and a new medication trolley.  Resident meetings are held bi-monthly. Both residents and families have provided feedback via annual satisfaction surveys. The 2022 and 2023 resident surveys, and separate food surveys indicate that residents are very satisfied with the services received. No corrective actions were raised. Results were discussed in the resident and staff meetings.  Health and safety policies are implemented and monitored. Directors/management and staff are kept informed, evidenced in management and staff meeting minutes. The service documents and analyses incidents/accidents, unplanned or untoward events and provides feedback to the service and staff so that improvements are made; evidenced in the accident/incident reports reviewed.  The facility manager is aware of situations that require essential notifications. No Section 31 reports have been required since the previous audit. Public Health authorities have been notified in relation to the Covid-19 outbreak. |
| Subsection 2.3: Service management  The people: Skilled, caring health care and support workers listen to me, provide personalised care, and treat me as a whole person. Te Tiriti: The delivery of high-quality health care that is culturally responsive to the needs and aspirations of Māori is achieved through the use of health equity and quality improvement tools. As service providers: We ensure our day-to-day operation is managed to deliver effective person-centred and whānau-centred services. | FA | There is a staffing policy that describes rostering requirements. The registered nurses and caregivers hold current first aid certificates. There is a first aid trained staff member on duty 24/7. The facility manager and clinical nurse manager are available Monday to Friday, with on-call being shared by the clinical nurse manager and registered nurse.  Interviews with caregivers, RN and management team confirmed that their workload is manageable. Staff and residents are informed when there are changes to staffing levels, evidenced in staff interviews, staff meetings and resident meetings.  There is an annual education and training schedule being implemented. The education and training schedule lists compulsory training which includes cultural awareness training. Competencies are completed by staff, which are linked to the education and training programme. All caregivers are required to complete annual competencies for restraint minimisation, cultural safety, and moving and handling. A record of completion is maintained.  The service supports and encourages caregivers to obtain a New Zealand Qualification Authority (NZQA) qualification. The service is working to encourage all staff to participate in the qualification process.  Additional RN specific competencies include syringe driver, medication, and interRAI assessment competency. Two RNs (including the clinical nurse manager) are interRAI trained. Staff participate in learning opportunities that provide them with up-to-date information on Māori health outcomes and disparities, and health equity. Staff confirmed that they were provided with resources during their cultural training. Facility meetings provide a forum to encourage collecting and sharing of high-quality Māori health information.  Staff wellness is encouraged through participation in health and wellbeing activities, to balance work with life. |
| Subsection 2.4: Health care and support workers  The people: People providing my support have knowledge, skills, values, and attitudes that align with my needs. A diverse mix of people in adequate numbers meet my needs. Te Tiriti: Service providers actively recruit and retain a Māori health workforce and invest in building and maintaining their capacity and capability to deliver health care that meets the needs of Māori. As service providers: We have sufficient health care and support workers who are skilled and qualified to provide clinically and culturally safe, respectful, quality care and services. | FA | There are human resources policies in place, including recruitment, selection, orientation and staff training and development. Staff files are securely stored in hard copy. Five staff files reviewed (clinical nurse manager, activities officer, and three caregivers) evidenced implementation of the recruitment process, employment contracts, police checking and completed orientation.  There are job descriptions in place for all positions that includes outcomes, accountability, responsibilities, and functions to be achieved in each position. All staff sign their job description during their on boarding to the service. Job descriptions reflect the expected positive behaviours and values, responsibilities and any additional functions (e.g., restraint coordinator, infection control coordinator).  A register of practising certificates is maintained for all health professionals (e.g., RNs, GPs, pharmacy, physiotherapy, podiatry, and dietitian). There is an appraisal policy. All staff who had been employed for over 12 months have an annual appraisal on file.  The service has a role-specific orientation programme in place that provides new staff with relevant information for safe work practice and includes buddying when first employed. Competencies are completed at orientation. The service demonstrates that the orientation programmes support RNs and caregivers to provide a culturally safe environment to Māori.  Ethnicity data is identified, and an employee ethnicity database is available.  Following any staff incident/accident, evidence of debriefing and follow-up action taken are documented. |
| Subsection 2.5: Information  The people: Service providers manage my information sensitively and in accordance with my wishes. Te Tiriti: Service providers collect, store, and use quality ethnicity data in order to achieve Māori health equity. As service provider: We ensure the collection, storage, and use of personal and health information of people using our services is accurate, sufficient, secure, accessible, and confidential. | FA | Resident files and the information associated with residents and staff are retained in hard copy (kept in locked cabinets when not in use). Electronic information is regularly backed-up using cloud-based technology and password protected. There is a documented business continuity plan in case of information systems failure.  The resident files are appropriate to the service type and demonstrated service integration. Records are uniquely identifiable, legible, and timely. Signatures that are documented include the name and designation of the service provider. Residents archived files are securely stored in a locked room and are easily retrievable when required.  Residents entering the service have all relevant initial information recorded within 24 hours of entry into the resident’s individual record. An initial care plan is also developed in this time. Personal resident information is kept confidential and cannot be viewed by other residents or members of the public.  The service is not responsible for National Health Index registration. |
| Subsection 3.1: Entry and declining entry  The people: Service providers clearly communicate access, timeframes, and costs of accessing services, so that I can choose the most appropriate service provider to meet my needs. Te Tiriti: Service providers work proactively to eliminate inequities between Māori and non-Māori by ensuring fair access to quality care. As service providers: When people enter our service, we adopt a person-centred and whānau-centred approach to their care. We focus on their needs and goals and encourage input from whānau. Where we are unable to meet these needs, adequate information about the reasons for this decision is documented and communicated to the person and whānau. | FA | There is an admission and decline to entry policy. Residents’ entry into the service is facilitated in a competent, equitable, timely and respectful manner. Information packs are provided for families/whānau and residents prior to admission or on entry to the service. Residents who are admitted to Camellia rest home are assessed by the needs assessment service coordination (NASC) service to determine the required level of care. The facility manager and clinical nurse manager screen prospective residents prior to admission.  Six admission agreements reviewed align with contractual requirements. Exclusions from the service are included in the admission agreement. Admission criteria is based on the assessed need of the resident and the contract under which the service operates. The facility manager and clinical nurse manager are available to answer any questions regarding the admission process and a waiting list is managed. The service openly communicates with potential residents and family/whānau during the admission process and declining entry would be if the service had no beds available or could not provide the level of care required. Potential residents are provided with alternative options and links to the community if admission is not possible.  The service collects ethnicity information at the time of enquiry from individual residents. The service has a process to combine collection of ethnicity data from all residents, and the analysis of this for the purposes of identifying entry and decline rates that is ethnicity focussed. The facility has established links with community Māori advisors and kaumatua through Māori staff employed by the service to benefit Māori individuals, and whānau. |
| Subsection 3.2: My pathway to wellbeing  The people: I work together with my service providers so they know what matters to me, and we can decide what best supports my wellbeing. Te Tiriti: Service providers work in partnership with Māori and whānau, and support their aspirations, mana motuhake, and whānau rangatiratanga. As service providers: We work in partnership with people and whānau to support wellbeing. | PA Low | Six resident files were reviewed. All the residents were under the age-related residential care (ARRC) agreement. A registered nurse (RN) is responsible for conducting all assessments and for the development of care plans. There was no documented evidence of resident and family/whānau involvement in the assessments and long-term care plans reviewed. Camellia rest home provides equitable opportunities for all residents and supports Māori and whānau to identify their own pae ora outcomes in their care plans. Specific cultural assessments are completed for all residents, and values, beliefs, and spiritual needs are documented in the care plan.  Camellia rest home uses a range of risk assessments alongside the interRAI care plan process. Risk assessments conducted on admission include those relating to falls, pressure injury, continence, nutrition, and skin. The initial support plan is completed within 24 hours of admission. InterRAI assessments and reassessments have been completed within expected timeframes. For the resident files reviewed the outcomes of the assessments formulate the basis of the long-term care plan.  Long-term care plans have been completed within 21 days. Care plan interventions are holistic, resident centred but do not provide comprehensive guidance to staff around all medical and non- medical requirements. Where acute or long-term changes occur, these are not always documented in the care plans. Evaluations were not completed at the time of InterRAI re-assessments (six-monthly) for the five resident files that were due for care plan evaluations. One resident had not been in the facility for six months.  The General Practitioner (GP) from local medical centre provides medical services including on-call service during working hours. Thereafter staff can refer to local hospital and paramedics. Residents are reviewed by the general practitioner on admission, acutely or for three monthly review. There is evidence in the resident files that the residents were seen by the GP within 5 working days of admission and resident regular reviews occurred as per required time frames. More frequent medical reviews were evidenced in files of residents with more complex conditions or acute changes to health status. The general practitioner interviewed on the day of audit stated they were very happy with the competence of the registered nurses, care provided and timely communication when there are concerns.  Specialist services are initiated as needed. Allied health interventions are not always documented and integrated into care plans. Barriers that prevent tāngata whaikaha and whānau from independently accessing information are identified and strategies to manage these are documented. A physiotherapist is available as required. The podiatrist visits regularly. Specialist services (e.g., mental health, psychogeriatrician, dietitian, speech language therapist, wound care, and continence specialist nurse) are available as required through Te Whatu Ora - Waikato.  Carers and registered nurses interviewed could describe a verbal and written handover at the beginning of each shift that maintains a continuity of service delivery, as observed on the day of audit, and was found to be comprehensive in nature. Progress notes are written on every shift by the carers and the registered nurses document at least weekly and as necessary for the rest home level care residents. However, the progress notes documentation reviewed in all the six resident files did not consistently document the time of entry of the notes.  The residents interviewed reported their needs and expectations are being met and family/whānau members confirmed the same. When a resident’s condition changes, the staff alert the registered nurses who then assesses the resident and initiate a review with the general practitioner. Family stated they were notified of changes to health, including infections, accident/incidents, general practitioner visits and medication changes.  There were four wounds from four residents including three chronic venous leg ulcers and one surgical wound. There are comprehensive policies and procedures to guide staff on assessment, management, monitoring progress and evaluation of wounds. Assessments and wound management plans including wound measurements were reviewed. A wound register has been fully maintained. Wound assessment, wound management, evaluation forms and wound monitoring occurred as planned in the sample of wounds reviewed. There is documented wound care nurse specialist input into chronic wounds. Carers interviewed stated there are adequate clinical supplies and equipment provided including continence, wound care supplies and pressure injury prevention resources. There is access to a continence specialist as required.  Care plans reflect the required health monitoring interventions for individual residents. Carers complete monitoring charts including observations; bowel chart; blood pressure; weight; blood glucose levels; and toileting regime. Monitoring charts had been completed as scheduled. Neurological observations have routinely and comprehensively been completed for unwitnessed falls or where head injury was suspected as part of post falls management. Incidents reviewed indicate that these were completed in line with policy and procedure. |
| Subsection 3.3: Individualised activities  The people: I participate in what matters to me in a way that I like. Te Tiriti: Service providers support Māori community initiatives and activities that promote whanaungatanga. As service providers: We support the people using our services to maintain and develop their interests and participate in meaningful community and social activities, planned and unplanned, which are suitable for their age and stage and are satisfying to them. | FA | Camellia rest home employs an activities coordinator who works 6.5 hours a day, four days a week. They work alongside an activity assistant who works 6.5 hours a week and together they provide a Monday to Friday programme. They are supported by staff at Camellia rest home to facilitate the programme that is resident centred and appropriate to the needs of the residents. The activities team implements a varied activities programme that reflects the physical and cognitive abilities of the resident groups. There is a weekly programme displayed on the notice boards. Residents participate in a range of activities that are appropriate to their cognitive and physical capabilities. These include (but not limited to): exercises; yoga; board games; newspaper; music; reminiscing; sensory activities; church services; craft; walks; shopping and van trips. Those residents who prefer to stay in their room or who need individual attention, have one-on-one visits to check if there is anything they need and to have a conversation. The facility has a car and a leased mobility van available for outings.  The service ensures that staff support Māori residents in meeting their health needs, aspirations in the community and facilitates opportunities for Māori to participate in te ao Māori. The facility actively supports residents to maintain links with the community. On the day of the audit, activities involving music, bingo, word games and exercises were observed. All interactions observed on the day of the audit evidenced meaningful engagement between residents and staff. Waitangi Day, Matariki and Māori language week are celebrated with appropriate resources available. Entertainers visit regularly and special events like birthdays, St Patricks day, Easter, Father’s Day, Anzac Day, Christmas, and theme days are celebrated.  Residents have an activity assessment completed over the first few weeks following admission that describes the residents past hobbies and present interests, abilities, spirituality, culture, music, outside activity, key family, and social contacts, and these inform the activity care plan. Resident files reviewed identified comprehensive activity plans based on the resident’s assessed needs. Residents’ participation and attendance in activities are recorded and filed in the resident records. Activity plans are evaluated at least six-monthly at the same time as the interRAI assessment. Residents and family/whānau can provide feedback through one-on-one feedback and resident meetings.  The interactions observed on the day of the audit showed engagement between residents, the activity staff, and carers. Some residents were observed going out for walks. Residents and family/whānau interviewed expressed satisfaction with the activities offered. |
| Subsection 3.4: My medication  The people: I receive my medication and blood products in a safe and timely manner. Te Tiriti: Service providers shall support and advocate for Māori to access appropriate medication and blood products. As service providers: We ensure people receive their medication and blood products in a safe and timely manner that complies with current legislative requirements and safe practice guidelines. | PA Moderate | Camellia rest home has policies available for safe medicine management that meet legislative requirements. The registered nurses and medication competent carers who administer medications are assessed annually for competency. Education around safe medication administration is provided.  All medication charts and signing sheets are electronic. On the day of the audit, a medication competent carer was observed to be safely administering medications. The registered nurse and carers interviewed could describe their roles regarding medication administration. Camellia rest home uses robotic rolls for all regular, pro re nata (PRN) and short course medications. All medications once delivered are checked by the registered nurse against the medication chart. Any discrepancies are fed back to the supplying pharmacy.  Medications were appropriately stored in the medication trolley and medication room. All eyedrops and creams have not been dated on opening. The medication fridge and medication room temperatures are monitored daily, and the temperatures were within acceptable ranges. Controlled drugs are stored appropriately, and stock checked weekly by two medication competent staff. Quantity stock checks occur as scheduled.  Twelve medication charts were reviewed. There is a three-monthly general practitioner or nurse practitioner review of all the residents’ medication charts, and each drug chart has photo identification and allergy status identified. Effectiveness of pro re nata (PRN) medication are recorded in the progress notes; however, not all records reviewed demonstrated documentation on the effectiveness of PRN medications given to residents.  There is a policy in place for residents who request to self-administer medications. At the time of audit, there were no residents self-administering medications. Over-the-counter medication is considered during the prescribing process and these along with nutritional supplements, are documented on the medication chart. Camellia rest home does not use standing orders. There are no vaccines kept on site.  There is documented evidence in the clinical files that residents and family/whānau are updated about changes to their health. The clinical nurse manager described how they work in partnership with residents who identify as Māori and their whānau to ensure they have appropriate support in place, advice is timely, easily accessed, and treatment is prioritised to achieve better health outcomes. |
| Subsection 3.5: Nutrition to support wellbeing  The people: Service providers meet my nutritional needs and consider my food preferences. Te Tiriti: Menu development respects and supports cultural beliefs, values, and protocols around food and access to traditional foods. As service providers: We ensure people’s nutrition and hydration needs are met to promote and maintain their health and wellbeing. | FA | The cook works full time Sunday to Friday and is supported by another cook who works Saturdays. There are two kitchen hands who work five days a week with the other two evenings being worked by the main cook.  All meals are prepared and cooked on site, with meals being plated and served from kitchen to the dining room which is adjacent to the kitchen. Staff were observed wearing correct personal protective clothing in the kitchen and as they were serving meals. Modified utensils, such as lip plates, are available for residents to maintain independence with meals. Carers interviewed are knowledgeable regarding a resident’s food portion size and normal food and fluid intake and confirm they report any changes in eating habits to the registered nurse and record this in progress notes. The kitchen was observed to be clean, well-organised, well equipped and with a current approved food control plan expiring in April 2024. The three-weekly annual menu has been reviewed by a dietician (6 November 2023).  A resident dietary profile is developed for each resident on admission, and this is provided to the kitchen. The kitchen meets the needs of residents who require special diets. The cooks work closely with the registered nurses with resident’s dietary profiles and any allergies. Residents who require supplements for identified weight loss have them supplied.  Kitchen staff are trained in safe food handling. Serving temperatures are taken on each meal. Chiller and freezer temperatures are taken daily and are within the accepted ranges. Cleaning schedules are maintained. All foods were date labelled in the pantry, chiller, and freezers.  Family/whānau meetings, and one-to-one interaction of residents with staff and cooks in the dining room allows the opportunity for feedback on the meals and food services generally. The cook and carers interviewed understood basic Māori practices in line with tapu and noa. The cook advised that they provide food for the cultural themed days in line with the theme. The cook stated they do their best to accommodate any requests from residents.  Residents and family/whānau members interviewed indicated satisfaction with the food. |
| Subsection 3.6: Transition, transfer, and discharge  The people: I work together with my service provider so they know what matters to me, and we can decide what best supports my wellbeing when I leave the service. Te Tiriti: Service providers advocate for Māori to ensure they and whānau receive the necessary support during their transition, transfer, and discharge. As service providers: We ensure the people using our service experience consistency and continuity when leaving our services. We work alongside each person and whānau to provide and coordinate a supported transition of care or support. | FA | Planned discharges or transfers were coordinated in collaboration with the resident and family/whānau to ensure continuity of care. There were documented policies and procedures to ensure discharge or transfer of residents is undertaken in a timely and safe manner. The transfer documents include but not limited to transfer form, copies of medical history, admission form with family/whānau contact details, resuscitation form, medication charts and the latest general practitioner or nurse practitioner review records. The residents and families/whānau are involved for all transfers or discharges to and from the service, including being given options to access other health and disability services, social support or kaupapa Māori agencies, where indicated or requested. Discharge notes are kept in residents’ files and any instructions integrated into the care plan. The clinical nurse manager advised a comprehensive handover occurs between services. |
| Subsection 4.1: The facility  The people: I feel the environment is designed in a way that is safe and is sensitive to my needs. I am able to enter, exit, and move around the environment freely and safely. Te Tiriti: The environment and setting are designed to be Māori-centred and culturally safe for Māori and whānau. As service providers: Our physical environment is safe, well maintained, tidy, and comfortable and accessible, and the people we deliver services to can move independently and freely throughout. The physical environment optimises people’s sense of belonging, independence, interaction, and function. | FA | The buildings, plant, and equipment are fit for purpose at Camellia rest home and comply with legislation relevant to services being provided. The current building warrant of fitness expires 17 June 2024. The environment is inclusive of peoples’ cultures and supports cultural practices.  Maintenance requests are logged into a maintenance book and the facility manager arranges repair with either the handy man (who is available daily) or contractors. Essential contractors, such as plumbers and electricians, are available 24 hours a day, as required. There is an annual maintenance plan that includes electrical testing and tagging, resident’s equipment checks, call bell checks, calibration of medical equipment and monthly testing of hot water temperatures that is managed by the facility manager and handy man. Testing and tagging of electrical equipment was completed in October 2023. Checking and calibration of medical equipment, hoists and scales is next due in November 2024. There are adequate storage areas for the hoist, wheelchairs, products, and other equipment. The staff interviewed stated that they have all the equipment referred to in care plans to provide care.  The service is on one level. There are large and small lounges. Activities occur in the larger areas and the smaller areas are spaces where residents who prefer quieter activities or visitors may sit. The dining room is spacious and located next to the kitchen. There is a hairdressing salon used by the hairdresser when they visit. All the rooms are single occupancy. Thirteen rooms have an ensuite. Five rooms have toilets and hand-basins. The remaining twelve rooms have hand-basins only. Residents are encouraged to personalise their bedrooms as viewed on the day of audit. Fixtures, fittings, and flooring are appropriate. The corridors have sufficient room to allow for safe mobility with the use of mobility aids. Residents were observed moving freely around the areas with mobility aids where required. The facility has sufficient accessible bathroom/shower and toilet facilities for the number of residents being cared for. Bathrooms/showers have signs, handrails, and call bells; are well lit, ventilated, and heated. There is sufficient space in the bathroom/shower areas to accommodate shower chairs, hoist and commodes as required. The communal toilets and bathrooms/showers have privacy locks system that indicates if it is engaged or vacant. Staff and visitor toilet facilities are provided.  There is sufficient space in all areas to allow care to be provided and for the safe use of mobility equipment. Staff interviewed reported that they have adequate space to provide care to residents. There is central heating system throughout the facility and a heat pump in the main dining area. Staff and residents interviewed stated that this is effective. There is safe access to all communal areas and to the outside areas and gardens. The external courtyards and gardens have seating and shade. There is one outdoor area where residents smoke. All other areas are smoke free.  The service has no current plans to build or extend; however, should this occur in the future, the facility manager advised that the service will liaise with local Māori providers to ensure aspirations and Māori identity are included. |
| Subsection 4.2: Security of people and workforce  The people: I trust that if there is an emergency, my service provider will ensure I am safe. Te Tiriti: Service providers provide quality information on emergency and security arrangements to Māori and whānau. As service providers: We deliver care and support in a planned and safe way, including during an emergency or unexpected event. | FA | Emergency management policies that include a pandemic plan outline the specific emergency response and evacuation requirements, as well as the duties/responsibilities of staff in the event of an emergency. Emergency management procedures guide staff to complete a safe and timely evacuation of the facility in the case of an emergency.  The fire evacuation plan has been approved by the New Zealand Fire Service (June 2022). A fire evacuation drill is repeated six-monthly in accordance with the facility’s building warrant of fitness with the last fire drill having been completed June 2023. There are emergency management plans to ensure health, civil defence and other emergencies are included. In the event of a power outage a barbeque is maintained with gas bottles, should gas cooking be needed. Emergency lighting is available to give staff time to organise emergency procedures. There are adequate supplies in the event of a civil defence emergency, including an equivalent of 3 litres of water per person per day for a seven-day cover. Information around emergency procedures is provided for residents and relatives in the admission information provided. The orientation programme for staff includes fire and security training. Staff interviewed confirmed their awareness of the emergency procedures.  Registered nurses and carer staff files reviewed demonstrated evidence of completing first aid/CPR training.  There are call bells in the residents’ rooms, communal toilets/bathroom, and lounge/dining room areas. There is a display monitor centrally located in the hallway by the lounge that alerts staff to where the call bell is coming from. Residents were observed to have their call bells in proximity to their current position. Residents and family interviewed confirmed that call bells are answered in a timely manner.  The front door to the building is locked by staff at sunset and unlocked at sunrise. The building is secured after hours. Staff complete regular security checks at night. Visitors and contractors are instructed to sign in and complete visiting protocols. |
| Subsection 5.1: Governance  The people: I trust the service provider shows competent leadership to manage my risk of infection and use antimicrobials appropriately. Te Tiriti: Monitoring of equity for Māori is an important component of IP and AMS programme governance. As service providers: Our governance is accountable for ensuring the IP and AMS needs of our service are being met, and we participate in national and regional IP and AMS programmes and respond to relevant issues of national and regional concern. | FA | The clinical nurse manager (registered nurse) oversees infection control and prevention across the service. The job description outlines the responsibility of the role. The infection control programme, its content and detail, is appropriate for the size, complexity and degree of risk associated with the service. Infection control is linked into the quality, risk, and incident reporting system. The infection control programme is reviewed annually by the management team, and infection control audits are conducted. Infection rates are presented and discussed at staff/quality meetings. Infection control data is also reviewed by the management team and benchmarked internally. Infection control is part of the strategic and quality plans. The directors receive reports on progress towards quality and strategic plans relating to infection prevention, surveillance data, outbreak data and outbreak management, infection prevention related audits, resources and costs associated with infection prevention and control, and anti-microbial stewardship (AMS) monthly, including any significant infection events.  The service also has access to an infection prevention clinical nurse specialist from Te Whatu Ora– Waikato.  There are hand sanitisers strategically placed around the facility. Residents and staff are offered influenza vaccinations, and most residents are fully vaccinated against Covid-19. |
| Subsection 5.2: The infection prevention programme and implementation  The people: I trust my provider is committed to implementing policies, systems, and processes to manage my risk of infection. Te Tiriti: The infection prevention programme is culturally safe. Communication about the programme is easy to access and navigate and messages are clear and relevant. As service providers: We develop and implement an infection prevention programme that is appropriate to the needs, size, and scope of our services. | FA | The service has a Pandemic response plan (including Covid-19) which details the preparation and planning for the management of lockdown, screening, transfers into the facility and positive tests.  The infection control coordinator has completed online education and completed practical sessions in hand hygiene and personal protective equipment (PPE) donning and doffing. There is good external support from the GP, laboratory, and Te Whatu Ora – Waikato infection control nurse specialist should this be required. There are enough PPE equipment available as required.  The infection control manual outlines a comprehensive range of policies, standards and guidelines and includes defining roles, responsibilities and oversight, training, and education of staff. Policies and procedures are reviewed by the management team and all policies are available to staff.  There are policies and procedures in place around reusable and single use equipment and the service has incorporated monitoring through their internal audit process. All shared equipment is appropriately disinfected between use. Single use items are not reused. The service incorporates te reo Māori information around infection control for Māori residents and works in partnership with Māori for the protection of culturally safe practices in infection prevention that acknowledge the spirit of Te Tiriti.  The infection control policy states that the facility is committed to the ongoing education of staff and residents. Infection prevention and control is part of staff orientation and included in the annual training plan. There has been additional training and education around Covid-19. All staff completed infection prevention and control in-services and associated competencies, such as handwashing and the use of personal protective equipment. There are no plans to change the current environment; however, the clinical nurse manager would be involved in the process. Staff have completed handwashing and personal protective equipment competencies. |
| Subsection 5.3: Antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) programme and implementation  The people: I trust that my service provider is committed to responsible antimicrobial use. Te Tiriti: The antimicrobial stewardship programme is culturally safe and easy to access, and messages are clear and relevant. As service providers: We promote responsible antimicrobials prescribing and implement an AMS programme that is appropriate to the needs, size, and scope of our services. | FA | The service has anti-microbial use policy and procedures and monitors compliance on antibiotic and antimicrobial use through evaluation and monitoring of medication prescribing charts, prescriptions, and medical notes. The anti-microbial policy is appropriate for the size, scope, and complexity of the resident cohort. Infection rates are monitored monthly and reported to the staff/quality improvement meetings and management team. Prophylactic use of antibiotics is not considered to be appropriate and is discouraged. |
| Subsection 5.4: Surveillance of health care-associated infection (HAI)  The people: My health and progress are monitored as part of the surveillance programme. Te Tiriti: Surveillance is culturally safe and monitored by ethnicity. As service providers: We carry out surveillance of HAIs and multi-drug-resistant organisms in accordance with national and regional surveillance programmes, agreed objectives, priorities, and methods specified in the infection prevention programme, and with an equity focus. | FA | Infection surveillance is an integral part of the infection control programme and is described in the Camellia Rest Home infection control manual. Monthly infection data is collected for all infections based on signs, symptoms, and definition of infection. Infections are entered into the infection register. Surveillance of all infections (including organisms) is entered onto a monthly infection summary. This data is monitored and analysed for trends.  Infection control surveillance is discussed at staff/quality, and management meetings. The service has incorporated ethnicity data into surveillance methods and data captured is easily extracted. Internal benchmarking is completed by the infection control coordinator, meeting minutes and relevant data are displayed for staff. Action plans are required for any infection rates of concern. Internal infection control audits are completed with corrective actions for areas of improvement. The service receives information from Te Whatu Ora – Waikato for any community concerns. There has been one outbreak (Covid-19) since the last audit. The facility followed their pandemic plan. There were clear communication pathways with responsibilities and include daily outbreak meetings and communication with residents, relatives, and staff. Staff wore personal protective equipment, isolation of affected residents occurred to minimise risks and families were kept informed by phone or email. Visiting was restricted. |
| Subsection 5.5: Environment  The people: I trust health care and support workers to maintain a hygienic environment. My feedback is sought on cleanliness within the environment. Te Tiriti: Māori are assured that culturally safe and appropriate decisions are made in relation to infection prevention and environment. Communication about the environment is culturally safe and easily accessible. As service providers: We deliver services in a clean, hygienic environment that facilitates the prevention of infection and transmission of antimicrobialresistant organisms. | FA | There are policies regarding chemical safety and waste disposal. All chemicals were clearly labelled with manufacturer’s labels and stored in locked areas. Cleaning chemicals are kept in a locked cupboard when not in use. Sharps containers are available and meet the hazardous substances regulations for containers. Gloves, aprons, and masks are available for staff, and they were observed to be wearing these as they carried out their duties on the days of audit.  All laundry is managed onsite, with a dedicated laundry person working 6 hours per day Monday to Friday, and duties shared by the caregivers on the weekend. The laundry area was seen to have a defined clean-dirty workflow, safe chemical storage, and the linen cupboards were well stocked. Cleaning and laundry services are monitored through the internal auditing system. There is an appropriate sluice facility available, and the caregivers interviewed were knowledgeable around systems and processes related to hygiene, infection prevention and control. |
| Subsection 6.1: A process of restraint  The people: I trust the service provider is committed to improving policies, systems, and processes to ensure I am free from restrictions. Te Tiriti: Service providers work in partnership with Māori to ensure services are mana enhancing and use least restrictive practices. As service providers: We demonstrate the rationale for the use of restraint in the context of aiming for elimination. | FA | Camellia rest home is committed to providing services to residents without the use of restraint. At the time of the audit, there were no residents using restraint. The service is committed to remaining restraint free. The designated restraint coordinator is the clinical nurse manager (RN). Systems are in place to ensure restraint use (if any) will be reported and benchmarked. Policies have been updated to reflect the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Services Standard 2021.  Restraint policy confirms that restraint consideration and application must be done in partnership with families/whānau, and the choice of device must be the least restrictive possible. At all times when restraint is considered, Camellia rest home will work in partnership with Māori, to promote and ensure services are mana enhancing. A review of the documentation available for residents potentially requiring restraint, included processes and resources for assessment, consent, monitoring, and evaluation. The restraint approval process includes the resident, EPOA, GP, and restraint coordinator.  Restraint related training which includes policies and procedures related to restraint, cultural practices and de-escalation strategies is completed as part of the mandatory training plan and orientation; with the last training completed by staff in January 2023. Restraint audit was completed and demonstrated compliance with expected standard. |

# Specific results for criterion where corrective actions are required

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

Criterion can be linked to the relevant subsection by looking at the code. For example, Criterion 1.1.1 My service provider shall embed and enact Te Tiriti o Waitangi within all its work, recognising Māori, and supporting Māori in their aspirations, whatever they are (that is, recognising mana motuhake) relates to subsection 1.1: Pae ora healthy futures in Section 1 Our rights.

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| **Criterion with desired outcome** | **Attainment Rating** | **Audit Evidence** | **Audit Finding** | **Corrective action required and timeframe for completion (days)** |
| Criterion 3.2.1  Service providers shall engage with people receiving services to assess and develop their individual care or support plan in a timely manner. Whānau shall be involved when the person receiving services requests this. | PA Low | The clinical nurse manager is responsible for conducting all assessments and for the development of care plans. The long-term care plans (LTCPs) are developed with information gathered during the initial assessments and the interRAI assessment and these have been completed in line with the expected timeframes (initial assessments and care plans within 24 hours and interRAI and long-term care plans within three weeks of admission). There are relevant EPOA documents as indicated in the resident records. Family/whanau are updated when there have been incidents, changes in medications and GP/NP reviews. However, there is little evidence to indicate resident and / or EPOA, family/whānau involvement in assessments, long term care planning or when care plan reviews are reviewed or updated six monthly or earlier as needs change in all the six resident files reviewed. | Six of six resident files did not evidence resident, EPOA or family / whānau involvement and input into care planning and review thereof. | Ensure there is evidence of resident, EPOA or family/whānau involvement in care-planning.  90 days |
| Criterion 3.2.3  Fundamental to the development of a care or support plan shall be that: (a) Informed choice is an underpinning principle; (b) A suitably qualified, skilled, and experienced health care or support worker undertakes the development of the care or support plan; (c) Comprehensive assessment includes consideration of people’s lived experience; (d) Cultural needs, values, and beliefs are considered; (e) Cultural assessments are completed by culturally competent workers and are accessible in all settings and circumstances. This includes traditional healing practitioners as well as rākau rongoā, mirimiri, and karakia; (f) Strengths, goals, and aspirations are described and align with people’s values and beliefs. The support required to achieve these is clearly documented and communicated; (g) Early warning signs and risks that may adversely affect a person’s wellbeing are recorded, with a focus on prevention or escalation for appropriate intervention; (h) People’s care or support plan identifies wider service integration as required. | PA Low | The registered nurses are responsible for the development of the care plan. Assessment tools, including cultural and interRAI assessments, were completed in a timely manner to identify key risk areas. Resident specific goals were documented in the care plans reviewed. The clinical nurse manager interviewed understand their responsibilities in relation to care planning. There are comprehensive policies in place related to assessment and support planning; however, not all resident care plans reviewed provided detailed interventions to direct care delivery by the carers.  Interview with the carers demonstrated that they are knowledgeable about the care needs of the residents and the residents observed appeared to have their care provided in line with assessed needs. The findings related to care planning relates to documentation only. | There were insufficient interventions documented in the care plan to adequately direct carers in the delivery of care related to:  (i)Diabetes management, including what to do for hypo or hyperglycaemia and what to do if the blood glucose levels are out of expected range.  (ii)Cultural interventions for resident identifying as Māori.  (iii)Use and management of continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) machine for sleep apnoea. | (i-iii) Ensure care plan documentation reflects the residents’ needs and interventions to provide adequate guidance for carers.  90 days |
| Criterion 3.2.4  In implementing care or support plans, service providers shall demonstrate: (a) Active involvement with the person receiving services and whānau; (b) That the provision of service is consistent with, and contributes to, meeting the person’s assessed needs, goals, and aspirations. Whānau require assessment for support needs as well. This supports whānau ora and pae ora, and builds resilience, self-management, and self-advocacy among the collective; (c) That the person receives services that remove stigma and promote acceptance and inclusion; (d) That needs and risk assessments are an ongoing process and that any changes are documented. | PA Low | Camellia rest home staff seek multidisciplinary input as appropriate to the needs of the resident. There is evidence of referral letters and review letters from general practitioner, nurse practitioner, specialist services from Te Whatu Ora– Waikato and allied health professionals. However, when changes occurred the care plans were not always updated to reflect the changes as noted in three of six files reviewed.  It was confirmed with the registered nurse that it is required as part of the resident management process for acute issues to have a plan of care developed, goals set, implemented, and evaluated. Progress notes are maintained and written daily on each shift by carers. Registered nurses add to progress notes weekly and when changes occurred. | Care plan not updated with changes in care need for  (i)one resident who presented with urinary tract infection and commenced on antibiotics by the nurse practitioner.  (ii)one resident who presented with eye infection and commenced on antibiotics by the general practitioner.  (iii)one resident with chronic wound currently being managed by registered nurse and wound nurse specialist. Same resident did not have updates to care plan related to the management of oedema.  (iv)one resident who was commenced on nutritional supplements. | (i)-(iv)Ensure that needs and risks are an ongoing process and that any changes are documented in the care plan.  90 days |
| Criterion 3.2.5  Planned review of a person’s care or support plan shall: (a) Be undertaken at defined intervals in collaboration with the person and whānau, together with wider service providers; (b) Include the use of a range of outcome measurements; (c) Record the degree of achievement against the person’s agreed goals and aspiration as well as whānau goals and aspirations; (d) Identify changes to the person’s care or support plan, which are agreed collaboratively through the ongoing re-assessment and review process, and ensure changes are implemented; (e) Ensure that, where progress is different from expected, the service provider in collaboration with the person receiving services and whānau responds by initiating changes to the care or support plan. | PA Low | There is a detailed care planning policy which demonstrates commitment to the promotion of resident health and well-being. The registered nurses are responsible for completing care plan evaluations six monthly or when resident needs change evidencing progress towards goals. However, for the six files reviewed, five had not had care plan evaluations completed at least six monthly since previous audit. One resident file was not due for care plan evaluation as they were a recent admission.  Progress notes are maintained and written daily on each shift by carers. Registered nurses add to progress notes weekly and when changes occurred. However, the progress notes documentation reviewed in all the six resident files captured the date but did not consistently document the time of entry of the notes.  Carers are knowledgeable about the care needs of the residents and the residents observed appeared to have their care provided in line with care plan requirements. The findings related to care planning relates to documentation only. | (i)Five of six long-term care plans did not have care plan evaluations completed.  (ii)Six of six resident file records did not consistently show the time of entry of progress notes. | (i)Ensure care plan evaluations are completed as per policy and contractual requirements.  (ii)Ensure staff include the time of progress notes entry in the resident records.  90 days |
| Criterion 3.4.1  A medication management system shall be implemented appropriate to the scope of the service. | PA Moderate | The registered nurses and medication competent carers are responsible for the administration of medications. Those responsible for medication administration have all completed medication competencies and education related to medication management. There is a policy and process on safe medicine management including reconciliation, storage, and documentation requirements. Review of the medication charts and progress notes indicated that staff were not always documenting the outcome or effectiveness of pro re nata (PRN) medications when they were administered. Observation of the medication round confirmed that creams and eye drops in use in the medication trolley were all not dated on opening. Staff have received training related to medicine management and audits have been completed as scheduled. | (i)All the eye drops and creams in use have not been dated on opening.  (ii)Effectiveness/outcome of pro re nata (PRN) medications administered has not been documented in 6 of 12 progress notes records reviewed. | (i)Ensure that creams and eye drops are dated on opening.  (ii)Ensure staff are documenting the outcome / effectiveness of pro re nata (PRN) medications in the progress notes when administered.  60 days |

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

As well as whole subsections, individual criterion within a subsection 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 subsection by looking at the code. For example, Criterion 1.1.1 relates to subsection 1.1: Pae ora healthy futures in Section 1: Our rights.

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