

## Report of the Inspector of Mental Health Services 2010

<b>EXECUTIVE CATCHMENT AREA</b>	Donegal, Sligo, Leitrim, West Cavan
<b>HSE AREA</b>	West
<b>CATCHMENT AREA</b>	Donegal
<b>MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE</b>	Donegal
<b>APPROVED CENTRE</b>	Acute Psychiatric Unit, Carnamuggagh
<b>NUMBER OF WARDS</b>	1
<b>NAMES OF UNITS OR WARDS INSPECTED</b>	Acute Mental Health Unit
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF BEDS</b>	38
<b>CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO REGISTRATION</b>	Yes
<b>TYPE OF INSPECTION</b>	Unannounced
<b>DATE OF INSPECTION</b>	16 June 2010

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

### **INTRODUCTION**

In 2010, the Inspectorate paid particular attention to Articles 15 to 22 and 26 of the Mental Health Act 2001 (Approved Centres) Regulations 2006 and all areas of non-compliance with the Regulations in 2009 and any other Article where applicable. The Inspectorate was keen to highlight improvements and initiatives carried out in the past year and track progress on the implementation of recommendations made in 2009. Information was gathered from self-assessments, service user interviews, staff interviews and photographic evidence collected on the day of the inspection.

### **DESCRIPTION**

The Acute Psychiatric Unit, Carnamuggagh, was located in Letterkenny. It was housed temporarily in a building that had been used as a nursing home, while awaiting the construction of a purpose-built acute in-patient mental health unit in Letterkenny General Hospital. It was reported that construction of the new unit had begun and this was expected to be completed by June 2011.

Due to persistent non-compliance with Article 15 of the Regulations since November 2007, the Mental Health Commission attached a condition of registration to the approved centre on 11 June 2010 requiring that individual care plans be implemented by 11 September 2010.

### **DETAILS OF WARDS IN THE APPROVED CENTRE**

<b>WARD</b>	<b>NUMBER OF BEDS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RESIDENTS</b>	<b>TEAM RESPONSIBLE</b>
Acute Mental Health Unit	38	38	General Adult

### **QUALITY INITIATIVES**

- A family liaison service for children admitted to the approved centre, and their families, had been introduced.
- The implementation of mental health management information system (WISDOM) in the approved centre.
- Introduction of a service user questionnaire to the approved centre.
- Introduction of a recovery-focused nursing assessment tool.

## **PROGRESS ON RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE 2009 APPROVED CENTRE REPORT**

1. All residents should have individual care plans as outlined in the Regulations

Outcome: This had not been achieved.

2. An audit of the approved centre should be undertaken to identify areas of risk with regard to ligature points.

Outcome: This had been completed and identified ligature points had been removed.

3. Staffing levels at the approved centre should be maintained at their existing level for observation purposes and for health and safety reasons. Any one-to-one special nursing requirements should be exclusive of these staffing levels.

Outcome: This had been achieved.

4. The construction of the new Department of Psychiatry in the grounds of Letterkenny General Hospital should commence immediately.

Outcome: This had commenced and was progressing.

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

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

**Article 4: Identification of Residents**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>		
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
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**Article 5: Food and Nutrition**

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**Justification for this rating:**

A menu was available. Residents who spoke with the Inspectorate said the food was good and of a high standard.

**Article 6 (1-2): Food Safety**

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<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>		
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<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

Most of the defects identified in the Environmental Health Officer's report dated 1 October 2009 had been remedied. A number of outstanding defects were in the process of being remedied.

**Breach:** 6 (1)

**Article 7: Clothing**

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<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
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**Article 8: Residents' Personal Property and Possessions**

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**Article 9: Recreational Activities**

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**Article 10: Religion**

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**Article 11 (1-6): Visits**

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**Article 12 (1-4): Communication**

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**Article 13: Searches**

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

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**Article 15: Individual Care Plan**

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<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	

**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre had not introduced an individual care plan, which has been a statutory requirement since November 2006. An individual care plan had been agreed and was awaiting implementation. Under a condition of registration attached in June 2010 the approved centre was required to have individual care plans implemented by 11 September 2010.

**Breach: 15**

**Article 16: Therapeutic Services and Programmes**

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>		
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<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

In the absence of individual care plans the approved centre remains non-compliant as therapeutic services and programmes were not linked to the residents' individual care plans.

**Breach:** 16 (1)



**Article 17: Children's Education**

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

A policy on children's education had been implemented in June 2010 and was due to be reviewed in 2013.

**Article 18: Transfer of Residents**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>		
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre had policies on transfers in place.

**Article 19 (1-2): General Health**

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
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<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

Six monthly physical examinations had been carried out. There was good access to general health services through Letterkenny General Hospital.

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

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
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**Justification for this rating:**

An information leaflet for residents had been updated.

**Article 21: Privacy**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
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<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

A number of residents spoke to the Inspectorate and were satisfied with the levels of privacy in the approved centre.

**Article 22: Premises**

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>		
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
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**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre was clean and bright and well kept.

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

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
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**Article 24 (1-2): Health and Safety**

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre had a policy and procedures relating to the health and safety of residents, staff and visitors.



**Article 25: Use of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)**

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The approved centre did not use CCTV.

**Article 26: Staffing**

WARD OR UNIT	STAFF TYPE	DAY	NIGHT
Acute Mental Health Unit	Nursing	10	7
	Household	4	0

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>		
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

Health and social care professionals were not available to all teams admitting to the approved centre.

**Breach:** 26 (2)

**Article 27: Maintenance of Records**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>		
<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

Clinical files were well maintained. Information was easily retrievable and clinical notes were well written. Other documentation and policies were easily retrievable.

**Article 28: Register of Residents**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>		
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**Article 29: Operating policies and procedures**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Substantial compliance</b>	<i>Evidence of substantial compliance but improvement needed.</i>	<b>X</b>	
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<b>Not compliant</b>	<i>Service is unable to demonstrate structures or processes to be compliant with this Regulation.</i>		

**Justification for this rating:**

Outstanding polices identified in last year's inspection report had been updated and implemented.

**Article 30: Mental Health Tribunals**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
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**Article 31: Complaint Procedures**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
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<b>Compliance initiated</b>	<i>An attempt has been made to achieve compliance but significant progress is still needed.</i>		
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**Article 32: Risk Management Procedures**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
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**Article 33: Insurance**

LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
<b>Fully compliant</b>	<i>Evidence of full compliance with this Regulation.</i>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
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**Article 34: Certificate of Registration**

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LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE	DESCRIPTION	2009	2010
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**2.3 EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH RULES – MENTAL HEALTH ACT 2001 SECTION 52 (d)**

**SECLUSION**

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**Use:** Seclusion was not used at the approved centre. A statement indicated this.

**ECT (DETAINED PATIENTS)**

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**Use:** No detained patient was undergoing a course of ECT.

**MECHANICAL RESTRAINT**

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**Use:** Mechanical restraint was not used at the approved centre. A statement indicated this.

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

**PHYSICAL RESTRAINT**

**Use:** Physical restraint was used at the approved centre. The physical restraint Clinical Practice Forms were examined. The clinical file of one resident who had been physically restrained was examined.

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

**Justification for this rating:**

The physical restraint episode was clearly documented in the resident's clinical file. Next-of-kin was not informed and reasons for not doing so were documented. There was evidence that the resident had been afforded the opportunity to discuss the episode of physical restraint with a member of the multidisciplinary team.

**ADMISSION OF CHILDREN**

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**Description:** Two children had been admitted to the centre since January 1, 2010 to the date of inspection. One child was currently resident at the time of inspection.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
2	Admission				X
3	Treatment	X			
4	Leave provisions	X			

**Justification for this rating:**

The clinical file of the child was examined and was satisfactory.  
 The approved centre was unsuitable for the admission and treatment of children.

**Breach:** 2.5

**NOTIFICATION OF DEATHS AND INCIDENT REPORTING**

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**Description:** It was reported that no deaths had been reported to the Mental Health Commission. The approved centre supplied incident reporting information twice yearly to the Mental Health Commission.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
2	Notification of deaths	X			
3	Incident reporting	X			
4	Clinical governance	X			

**Justification for this rating:**

A record of incidents was examined and was in order.

**ECT FOR VOLUNTARY PATIENTS**

**Use:** One resident was undergoing a course of ECT which was administered in Letterkenny General Hospital.

SECTION	DESCRIPTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
4	Consent	X			
5	Information	X			
6	Prescription of ECT	X			
7	Assessment of voluntary patient	X			
8	Anaesthesia	X			
9	Administration of ECT	X			
10	ECT Suite	NOT APPLICABLE			
11	Materials and equipment	NOT APPLICABLE			
12	Staffing	NOT APPLICABLE			
13	Documentation	X			
14	ECT during pregnancy	NOT APPLICABLE			

**Justification for this rating:**

The clinical file of the resident was examined and was satisfactory.



**ADMISSION, TRANSFER AND DISCHARGE**

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**Description:** Two clinical files were reviewed of recent admissions, one of a recent transfer and two of recent discharges.

**Part 2 Enabling Good Practice through Effective Governance**

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

**Level of compliance:**

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
	<b>X</b>		

**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre continued to work at implementing the required policies particularly in relation to individual care plans.

**Breach:** 4.8

**Part 3 Admission Process**

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

**Level of compliance:**

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
	<b>X</b>		

**Justification for this rating:**

The clinical files reviewed indicated substantial compliance. Some further work was required to reach full compliance including implementation of individual care plans and access to multidisciplinary teams.

**Breach:** 17, 19

**Part 4 Transfer Process**

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

**Level of compliance:**

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
<b>X</b>			

**Justification for this rating:**

The clinical documentation relating to the transfer was excellent. Policies and procedures were in place.

**Part 5 Discharge Process**

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

**Level of compliance:**

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
	<b>X</b>		

**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre was substantially compliant and further work was required in some areas particularly relating to individual care plans and access to a range of disciplines on the community mental health teams.

**Breach:** 36.1

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

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

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

**Level of compliance:**

FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
			<b>X</b>

**Justification for this rating:**

The approved centre had no policies pertinent to this Code of Practice. Staff had not received training that supported the principles and guidance in this Code of Practice.

**Breach:** 5, 6

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

**SECTION 60 – ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINE**

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**Description:** The clinical files of two detained patients were reviewed.

SECTION	FULLY COMPLIANT	SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLIANT	COMPLIANCE INITIATED	NOT COMPLIANT
Section 60 (a)	<b>X</b>			
Section 60 (b)(i)	<b>X</b>			
Section 60 (b)(ii)	<b>X</b>			

**Justification for this rating:**

Form 17 had been completed for one patient. The other patient had given written consent for the continued administration of medication.

**SECTION 61 – TREATMENT OF CHILDREN WITH SECTION 25 ORDER IN FORCE**

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**Description:** No child was detained.

## SECTION THREE: OTHER ASPECTS OF THE APPROVED CENTRE

### SERVICE USER INTERVIEWS

Two residents spoke to the Inspectorate on the day of inspection. They were both generally satisfied with their care and treatment. It was suggested that staff could pay more attention to some of the quieter residents who were not as assertive as others on the unit. The quality of the care and treatment, communication with staff and the environment was positively reported on, while the absence of ongoing counselling was criticised.

### MEDICATION

Prescription sheets were in booklet format. They were easy to follow and PRN (as required) medication was separate from regular medication. Some signatures were illegible. Sixty three per cent of residents were prescribed either PRN or regular benzodiazepines.

### MEDICATION ACUTE

<b>NUMBER OF PRESCRIPTIONS:</b>	<b>27</b>
Number on benzodiazepines	<b>17 (63%)</b>
Number on more than one benzodiazepine	<b>0</b>
Number on regular benzodiazepines	<b>8 (30%)</b>
Number on PRN benzodiazepines	<b>10 (37%)</b>
Number on hypnotics	<b>7 (26%)</b>
Number on Non benzodiazepine hypnotics	<b>6 (22%)</b>
Number on antipsychotic medication	<b>21 (78%)</b>
Number on high dose antipsychotic medication	<b>1 (4%)</b>
Number on more than one antipsychotic medication	<b>5 (19%)</b>
Number on PRN antipsychotic medication	<b>12 (44%)</b>



<b>Number on antidepressant medication</b>	<b>9 (33%)</b>
<b>Number on more than one antidepressant</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Number on antiepileptic medication</b>	<b>9 (33%)</b>
<b>Number on Lithium</b>	<b>0</b>

## **OVERALL CONCLUSIONS**

Reports from residents about the Acute Psychiatric Unit, Carnamuggagh, were positive. Despite cutbacks and depleted staff resources the approved centre had introduced a number of quality initiatives. The approved centre had improved its overall compliance with the Regulations since last year's inspection but compliance with individual care plans and therapeutic services and programmes remained outstanding.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS 2010**

1. Individual care plans must be implemented by 11 September 2010.
2. The outstanding steps for compliance with the Codes of Practice relating to Admission, Transfer and Discharge to and from an Approved Centre and working in Mental Health Services with People with Intellectual Disabilities should be implemented
3. Outstanding issues related to food safety must be addressed.
4. Therapeutic services and programmes must be linked to the individual care plan.
5. Community mental health teams should be fully staffed with a range of health and social care professionals to facilitate access for residents of the approved centre.