

CareChoice's Fire Safety Procedure

Equipment you will see in the Nursing Home



Fire Blanket

For use on equipment fires or if a person clothing catches fire



CO2 Fire Extinguisher

For use on an electrical fire



Foam Fire Extinguisher

For use on all fire types except electrical

Fire Safety

The purpose of this leaflet is to give you more detail about our Fire Safety Procedure.

CareChoice shall take adequate precautions against the risk of fire, and provides suitable firefighting equipment, suitable building, services, bedding and furnishings, we are committed to provide a safe environment with adequate staff training, provisions and arrangements in place for a safe and effective Fire Safety Management Plan.

We have a combination of measures in place to reduce the dangers of fire:

- Safe design of the building for access and egress.
 - All building materials comply with relevant Fire Safety Standards
 - Fire Alarm and Emergency Lighting Systems
 - Fire / Smoke compartments using fire doors and partitions
 - First Aid / firefighting equipment e.g. fire extinguishers
 - Fire Brigade Access
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What to do on hearing the Fire Alarm?

Residents

- Stay calm, do not panic.
- Follow the instructions of staff.
- If instructed, leave by your nearest fire exit to the assembly point.
- Wheelchair users will be evacuated by staff.
- Do not stop to collect personal belongings.
- Do not re-enter the building until told to do so.

Visitors

- Stay calm, do not panic.
- Visitors, stay with your loved one.
- If your loved one is in bed staff will evacuate using the ski sheet and mattress if necessary.
- Ski pads available in stairwells for vertical evacuation if required.
- If instructed, leave by your nearest fire exit to the assembly point.
- Do not use the lifts.
- Do not stop to collect personal belongings.
- Do not re-enter the building until told to do so.

Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan (PEEP)

On admission a personal emergency evacuation plan is completed for residents who are not capable of responding to the fire alarm and evacuating without assistance which includes:


- A current picture of the resident.
- Capabilities of the resident in understanding fire detection and alarm.
- Evacuation method and what staff need to do to assist a person to evacuate.

Staff training

All of our staff receive annual Fire Training this includes:

- Fire Prevention
- Evacuation Methods
- Fire Dangers in the Nursing Home e.g. oxygen, smoking etc
- The Fire Alarm System
- Fire Drill Procedures

If you would like further information please contact the Director of Nursing.



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