

Framework for RAG rating assessment re resuming day services at Hollacombe

RED – There is immediate risk for the person or carer.

Indicators:-

1. A safeguarding concern has been raised.
2. There is an imminent breakdown of either paid or unpaid care arrangements due to care support no longer being able to manage.
3. Person has high levels of anxiety which is being expressed through distressed behaviors' towards self, others and objects.
4. Person has been prescribed antipsychotic drugs to reduce distressed behaviors' during lockdown.
5. Person's mental health is declining and they are becoming withdrawn and less willing to engage.
6. Carer's mental health is declining, or they are experiencing high levels of anxiety
7. Person is experiencing deterioration of their physical health.
8. Person is unable to be supported at home or in the community due to their anxiety, their understanding of the situation and lack of community facilities that are open.
9. Person is unable to be supported at home due to the vulnerability of other family members.

AMBER – The person or carer is experiencing difficulties but are not in immediate risk.

Indicators:-

1. The existing care arrangements are at risk.
2. Family carers are choosing to self-isolate due to the health vulnerability of the person they care for however there is an increase in risk to their own health and concern regarding how much longer it is sustainable.
3. There are some signs of deterioration in mental and physical health that are of concern but they're being managed.
4. The person's deterioration above or the ongoing caring requirement is likely to have an increasing impact on the unpaid carer.
5. The situation is affecting the carer's outcomes under the Care Act such as ability to work.

GREEN – There are minimal concerns regarding person's or carer's wellbeing.

Indicators:-

1. Carer isn't expressing any concerns.
2. There were no welfare concerns prior to the person going into isolation.

Following a person being identified as being Red, a Mental Capacity Assessment must be completed to firstly determine if the person has capacity to make an informed decision and if not, decide if the person should resume day services.

The assessment must take into consideration the indicators but also the following:-

- People making decisions on behalf of the person to understand fully the risk of person contracting Covid-19 and that risk to be weighed up against quality of life.
- If the person has any health conditions that makes them at risk of Covid-19.
- If the carer has had a Carers Assessment in the past, it will be worth them requesting a review. If they have not, it is worth requesting one via Adult Social Care on 01803 219700