Accreditation Decision and Report

**Decision to re-accredit service following a site audit**

**Service and approved provider details**

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| **Name of service:** | Brightwater Onslow Gardens |
| **RACS ID:** | 7401 |
| **Name of approved provider:** | Brightwater Care Group Limited |
| **Address details:** | 39 Hamersley Road SUBIACO WA 6008 |
| **Date of site audit:** | 06 August 2019 to 08 August 2019 |

**Summary of decision**

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| **Decision made on:** | 02 September 2019 | |
| **Decision made by**: | Authorised delegate of the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commissioner (Commissioner) under section 76 of the *Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission Act 2018* to decide under section 41 of the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission Rules 2018 (Rules) about the accreditation of a service. | |
| **Decision:** | To re-accredit the service under section 41 of the Rules. | |
| **Further period of accreditation:** | 17 October 2019 to 17 October 2022 | |
| **Assessment of performance with the Aged Care Quality Standards** | | |
| Standard 1 Consumer dignity and choice | | Met |
| Standard 2 Ongoing assessment and planning with consumers | | Met |
| Standard 3 Personal care and clinical care | | Met |
| Standard 4 Services and supports for daily living | | Met |
| Standard 5 Organisation’s service environment | | Met |
| Standard 6 Feedback and complaints | | Met |
| Standard 7 Human resources | | Met |
| Standard 8 Organisational governance | | Met |

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## Introduction

**This is the report of an assessment of Brightwater Onslow Gardens (the Service) conducted from 06 August 2019 to 08 August 2019.**

**This assessment was conducted for the purposes of assessing the provider’s performance in relation to the Service against the Aged Care Quality Standards (the Quality Standards) in accordance with the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission Rules 2018.**

This report details the findings of this performance assessment and contains a detailed report about the performance of the Service against each Quality Standard assessed and the requirements within each Standard assessed rated as either, Met or Not Met.

For a ‘Not met’ finding, the Assessment Team has provided information about why the requirement was Not Met.

This Report is to be read in conjunction with the Quality Standards.

## Assessment Details

The assessment was informed by a site assessment, observations at the service, review of documents and interviews with staff, consumers/representatives and others.

The following interviews were undertaken:

| **Type** | **Number** |
| --- | --- |
| Service manager | 1 |
| Social worker | 1 |
| Deputy service manager | 1 |
| Clinical nurse consultant | 1 |
| Consumers | 16 |
| Representatives | 5 |
| Care staff | 6 |
| Registered nurse | 1 |
| Allied health professionals | 2 |
| General manager residential | 1 |
| Quality manager | 1 |
| Volunteer | 1 |

## Detailed findings

This section covers information about the assessment of the provider’s performance, in relation to the service, against each of the requirements of the Quality Standards that were assessed.

### Standard 1: Consumer dignity and choice Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I am treated with dignity and respect, and can maintain my identity. I can make informed choices about my care and services, and live the life I choose.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation:  
a) has a culture of inclusion and respect for consumers; and   
b) supports consumers to exercise choice and independence; and   
c) respects consumers’ privacy.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 1:

The Assessment Team found the organisation has met all six requirements of Standard 1. Of consumers randomly sampled, 87% of respondents said staff treat them with respect most or all of the time.

Staff were observed treating consumers with dignity and respect and could describe what treating consumers with dignity and respect means in practice.

87% respondents to the consumer experience interview said they have a say in their daily activities most or all the time. Care staff interviewed provided examples of giving consumers choice in their daily lives including alternatives to menu choices, rising and retiring times and personal care activities.

All consumers interviewed said they are encouraged to do as much as possible for themselves most or all of the time.

The organisation demonstrated how electronic and filing systems support the protection of confidential information including consumer information, consistent with documented policies and procedures.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 1 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that each consumer is treated with dignity and respect, with their identity, culture and diversity valued.

##### Standard 1 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that care and services are culturally safe.

##### Standard 1 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that each consumer is supported to exercise choice and independence, including to:  
i) make decisions about their own care and the way care and services are delivered; and  
ii) make decisions about when family, friends, carers or others should be involved in their care; and  
iii) communicate their decisions; and  
iv) make connections with others and maintain relationships of choice, including intimate relationships.

##### Standard 1 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that each consumer is supported to take risks to enable them to live the best life they can.

##### Standard 1 Requirement 3(e) Met

The organisation demonstrates that information provided to each consumer is current, accurate and timely, and communicated in a way that is clear, easy to understand and enables them to exercise choice.

##### Standard 1 Requirement 3(f) Met

The organisation demonstrates that each consumer’s privacy is respected and personal information is kept confidential.

### Standard 2: Ongoing assessment and planning with consumers Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I am a partner in ongoing assessment and planning that helps me get the care and services I need for my health and well-being.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation undertakes initial and ongoing assessment and planning for care and services in partnership with the consumer. Assessment and planning has a focus on optimising health and well-being in accordance with the consumer’s needs, goals and preferences.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 2:

The Assessment Team found the organisation has met all five requirements of Standard 2.

Of consumers randomly selected, 87% said staff they have a say in their daily activities always or most of the time.

The organisation demonstrated that the outcomes of assessment and planning are effectively communicated to the consumer and documented in a care and services plan that is readily available to the consumer, and where care and services are provided.

Each of the care plans reviewed by the Assessment Team evidenced that they are individualised and tailored for consumers.

Staff demonstrated an understanding of adverse incidents and how these were identified, documented and reviewed by the service, to inform continuous improvement.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 2 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that assessment and planning, including consideration of risks to the consumer’s health and well-being, informs the delivery of safe and effective care and services.

##### Standard 2 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that assessment and planning identifies and addresses the consumer’s current needs, goals and preferences, including advance care planning and end of life planning if the consumer wishes.

##### Standard 2 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that assessment and planning:   
i) is based on ongoing partnership with the consumer and others that the consumer wishes to involve in assessment, planning and review of the consumer’s care and services; and   
ii) includes other organisations, and individuals and providers of other care and services, that are involved in the care of the consumer.

##### Standard 2 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the outcomes of assessment and planning are effectively communicated to the consumer and documented in a care and services plan that is readily available to the consumer, and where care and services are provided.

##### Standard 2 Requirement 3(e) Met

The organisation demonstrates that care and services are reviewed regularly for effectiveness, and when circumstances change or when incidents impact on the needs, goals or preferences of the consumer.

### Standard 3: Personal care and clinical care Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I get personal care, clinical care, or both personal care and clinical care, that is safe and right for me.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation delivers safe and effective personal care, clinical care, or both personal care and clinical care, in accordance with the consumer’s needs, goals and preferences to optimise health and well-being

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 3:

The Assessment Team found that the organisation meets all seven requirements under this Standard. Of consumers randomly selected, 87% said they get the care they need always or most of the time.

Clinical staff demonstrated how they get information and advice on best practice.

The Assessment Team reviewed six care plans and found the service identifies and manages high impact or high prevalence risks associated with the care of each consumer including pain, hydration and nutrition, pressure injuries prevention and management, and others.

All consumers interviewed advised they are confident in the staff’s skills and knowledge and that the staff would be able to detect any changes in their condition and health.

The service’s electronic care management system alerts staff of any changes in consumers’ condition, needs and preferences, and issues reminders to relevant staff to follow up or act on scheduled tasks.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that each consumer gets safe and effective personal care, clinical care, or both personal care and clinical care, that:   
i) is best practice and   
ii) is tailored to their needs and   
iii) optimises their health and well-being.

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that effective management of high impact or high prevalence risks associated with the care of each consumer.

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the needs, goals and preferences of consumers nearing the end of life are recognised and addressed, their comfort maximised and their dignity preserved.

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that deterioration or change of a consumer’s mental health, cognitive or physical function, capacity or condition is recognised and responded to in a timely manner.

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(e) Met

The organisation demonstrates that information about the consumer’s condition, needs and preferences is documented and communicated within the organisation, and with others where responsibility for care is shared.

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(f) Met

The organisation demonstrates that timely and appropriate referrals to individuals, other organisations and providers of other care and services.

##### Standard 3 Requirement 3(g) Met

The organisation demonstrates that minimisation of infection related risks through implementing:   
i) standard and transmission based precautions to prevent and control infection; and   
ii) practices to promote appropriate antibiotic prescribing and use to support optimal care and reduce the risk of increasing resistance to antibiotics.

**Standard 4:   
Services and supports for daily living Met**

**Consumer outcome:**

1. I get the services and supports for daily living that are important for my health and well-being and that enable me to do the things I want to do.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation provides safe and effective services and supports for daily living that optimise the consumer’s independence, health, well-being and quality of life.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 4:

The Assessment Team found all seven requirements under Standard 4 were met. Of consumers randomly selected, 100% said they are encouraged to do as much as possible for themselves, and 87% said they get the care they need always or most of the time.

The organisation demonstrated they make timely referrals to other organisations, provide quality meals and provide safe, clean and well-maintained equipment. Of consumers randomly sampled, 73% said they like the food most or all of the time. Two consumers and one representative said the quality of food notably improved over the last year.

The majority of consumers and representatives interviewed expressed their satisfaction with the services and supports for daily living including lifestyle activities and laundry services.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that each consumer gets safe and effective services and supports for daily living that meet the consumer’s needs, goals and preferences and optimise their independence, health, well-being and quality of life.

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that services and supports for daily living promote each consumer’s emotional, spiritual and psychological well-being.

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that services and supports for daily living assist each consumer to:   
i) participate in their community within and outside the organisation’s service environment; and   
ii) have social and personal relationships; and   
iii) do the things of interest to them.

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that information about the consumer’s condition, needs and preferences is communicated within the organisation, and with others where responsibility for care is shared.

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(e) Met

The organisation demonstrates that timely and appropriate referrals to individuals, other organisations and providers of other care and services.

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(f) Met

The organisation demonstrates that where meals are provided, they are varied and of suitable quality and quantity.

##### Standard 4 Requirement 3(g) Met

The organisation demonstrates that where equipment is provided, it is safe, suitable, clean and well maintained.

### Standard 5: Organisation’s service environment Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I feel I belong and I am safe and comfortable in the organisation’s service environment.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation provides a safe and comfortable service environment that promotes the consumer’s independence, function and enjoyment.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 5:

The Assessment Team found that the organisation meets all three requirements under Standard 5.

Consumers and representatives interviewed reported consumers feeling safe and comfortable within the service environment.

The service was observed to be welcoming, clean and well maintained. The layout of the service environment enables consumers to move around freely, with suitable furniture, fittings and signage to help consumers navigate the area. Consumers have access to quiet indoor and outdoor areas, including large courtyards with tables and chairs. Consumers and representatives reported, and the Assessment Team observed, consumers being able to access all areas when they wished to.

Staff identified procedures for the purchase, service and maintenance of furnishings and equipment, and document reviews confirmed the procedures were actioned. Management advised maintenance issues are actioned and recorded along with consumer feedback on the service environment.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 5 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the service environment is welcoming and easy to understand, and optimises each consumer’s sense of belonging, independence, interaction and function.

##### Standard 5 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the service environment:   
i) is safe, clean, well maintained and comfortable; and   
ii) enables consumers to move freely, both indoors and outdoors.

##### Standard 5 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that furniture, fittings and equipment are safe, clean, well maintained and suitable for the consumer.

### Standard 6: Feedback and complaints Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I feel safe and am encouraged and supported to give feedback and make complaints. I am engaged in processes to address my feedback and complaints, and appropriate action is taken.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation regularly seeks input and feedback from consumers, carers, the workforce and others and uses the input and feedback to inform continuous improvements for individual consumers and the whole organisation.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 6:

The Assessment Team found all four requirements under Standard 6 were met.

The organisation recognises that consumers have the right to make complaints about the care and services they receive from the organisation. Consumers are made aware of, and supported to access alternative external complaints handling options.

The organisation's complaint system gives every consumer equal access to make a complaint.

The organisation aims to have a best practice system for managing and resolving complaints for consumers, including an open disclosure process.

The organisation has a system to improve how they deliver care and services using information from complaints.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 6 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that consumers, their family, friends, carers and others are encouraged and supported to provide feedback and make complaints.

##### Standard 6 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that consumers are made aware of and have access to advocates, language services and other methods for raising and resolving complaints.

##### Standard 6 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that appropriate action is taken in response to complaints and an open disclosure process is used when things go wrong.

##### Standard 6 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that feedback and complaints are reviewed and used to improve the quality of care and services.

### Standard 7: Human resources Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I get quality care and services when I need them from people who are knowledgeable, capable and caring.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation has a workforce that is sufficient, and is skilled and qualified, to provide safe, respectful and quality care and services.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 7:

The Assessment Team found all five requirements under Standard 7 were met.

The organisation has a system to work out workforce numbers and the range of skills staff need to meet consumers’ needs and deliver safe and quality care and services.

The workforce has the skills, qualifications and knowledge they need for their role to provide care and services. The organisation has systems to monitor staff scope of practice, responsibilities and skills.

The organisation reviews training, learning and development needs of the workforce regularly and when practices change. The organisation supports its staff to take up training, learning and development opportunities, so they can meet the needs of their role.

The organisation regularly assesses the performance and the capabilities of its workforce and performance reviews support continuous improvement and development of staff.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 7 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the workforce is planned to enable, and the number and mix of members of the workforce deployed enables, the delivery and management of safe and quality care and services.

##### Standard 7 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that workforce interactions with consumers are kind, caring and respectful of each consumer’s identity, culture and diversity.

##### Standard 7 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the workforce is competent and the members of the workforce have the qualifications and knowledge to effectively perform their roles.

##### Standard 7 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the workforce is recruited, trained, equipped and supported to deliver the outcomes required by these standards.

##### Standard 7 Requirement 3(e) Met

The organisation demonstrates that regular assessment, monitoring and review of the performance of each member of the workforce.

### Standard 8: Organisational governance Met

#### Consumer outcome:

1. I am confident the organisation is well run. I can partner in improving the delivery of care and services.

#### Organisation statement:

2. The organisation’s governing body is accountable for the delivery of safe and quality care and services.

#### Summary of Assessment of Standard 8:

The Assessment Team found all five requirements under Standard 8 were met.

The organisation asks for input from a wide range of consumers about their experience and the quality of the care and services they receive, and this information is reviewed and responded to.

The organisation has effective information and financial management systems and feedback/reporting processes in place, actively pursues continuous improvement and regularly monitors compliance with relevant legislation, regulations and guidelines, and supports and develops its workforce to deliver safe and quality care and services.

The organisation has systems and processes to identify and assess risks to health, safety and well-being of consumers. The organisation uses this information to improve its performance and how it delivers quality care and services.

The organisation has an established organisational structure with defined roles and responsibilities, and key personnel at the service have areas of responsibility for leadership and systems that improve safety and quality.

#### Requirements:

##### Standard 8 Requirement 3(a) Met

The organisation demonstrates that consumers are engaged in the development, delivery and evaluation of care and services and are supported in that engagement.

##### Standard 8 Requirement 3(b) Met

The organisation demonstrates that the organisation’s governing body promotes a culture of safe, inclusive and quality care and services and is accountable for their delivery.

##### Standard 8 Requirement 3(c) Met

The organisation demonstrates that effective organisation wide governance systems relating to the following:  
i) information management  
ii) continuous improvement  
iii) financial governance  
iv) workforce governance, including the assignment of clear responsibilities and accountabilities  
v) regulatory compliance  
vi) feedback and complaints

##### Standard 8 Requirement 3(d) Met

The organisation demonstrates that effective risk management systems and practices, including but not limited to the following:  
i) managing high-impact or high-prevalence risks associated with the care of consumers  
ii) identifying and responding to abuse and neglect of consumers  
iii) supporting consumers to live the best life they can

##### Standard 8 Requirement 3(e) Met

The organisation demonstrates that where clinical care is provided - a clinical governance framework, including but not limited to the following:   
i) antimicrobial stewardship   
ii) minimising the use of restraint  
iii) open disclosure