

CQC Failed to Check Fraud
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We have written numerous reports on Parkview Care Home in Bolton. I suspected from the evidence that this care home had not only been advertising its services as Nursing Care but claiming from the NHS for care.

CQC when asked were adamant this home had not been providing nursing care since 2014 and sought to explain away the fact it was promoting its services as nursing.

Extract from CQC letter dated July 2019

“All subsequent CQC reports reflect that name change and are clear that this care home was operating as a residential care home. CQC accepts that the name of the home in particular would have potential to cause confusion as to its status. However, nursing care has not been provided there since 2014.”

Today I received the following FOI confirmation of the nursing care claimed by this home,

Additional Response

No Funded Nursing Care (FNC) funding can be provided in a residential placement as the patient needs 24 hour access to a qualified nurse. It is unusual to have Continuing Healthcare (CHC) funding in a residential placement unless its end of life care. In these cases the CCG would support any additional care needs.

2013 - 2014	No
2014 - 2015	No
2015 - 2016	No
2016 - 2017	No
2017 - 2018	Yes
2018 - 2019	No
2019 – Current Day	Yes

So either CQC are mistaken or this home is claiming for nursing care that it cannot provide. This is public money being paid to a private company that can not provide the care and all under the nose of CQC. How many other homes is this happening in and surely there needs to be a fraud inquiry.