

AUCKLAND SURGERY Infection Control Annual Statement 1/3/23

Aim

- Provide and maintain a clean and tidy surgery
- Prevent and control the risk of the acquisition of an infection in all our activities
- Promote a safe environment for all patients, staff, users, visitors and the public

Purpose

The Annual Statement will be generated each year in March. It will summarise:-

- Details of any infection control audits undertaken, and actions taken
- Significant events relating to infection control and subsequent action plan
- Details of any infection control risk assessments undertaken, and actions taken
- Review of training, policies, procedures and guidelines

Background

- The IPC lead is Maggie Perry (Practice Nurse)
- Supported by Diane Beresford (non-clinical)

Staff Training : All staff receive infection control training and both the infection control lead and non-clinical support recently attended NHS England Public Health Infection Prevention and Control webinar training and advice session on the 22nd February 2023.

All our clinicians do Practice Index Level two training in Infection Control every 12 months and our non-clinicians do level one training every 36 months as per guidelines.

Significant Events

There have not been any significant events relating to infection control during the past year.

Audit

In December 2022 the surgery had a CQC inspection in which we rated as good and had no actions to do with Infection Control.

We had a Legionella Risk Assessment in June 2022

One item that came out of this Risk Assessment was that we need to check hot and cold water temperatures at all outlets on a rotational basis, to ensure all outlets are checked within a twelve month period - this now happens every month and we now have a log for this.

Infection Control Risk Assessment June 2022

The following actions have been put in place since our last risk assessment

Cleaning Schedules – now on the back of every rooms door

Infection Control statement – completed and put on our website

Hand Washing Audit completed November 2022

Training to use safer sharps completed.

Health and Safety Risk Assessments completed monthly

Policies, Procedures and Guidelines Our Infection control Policy was last updated 20/4/22 and our Health and Safety Policy last updated 6/4/22. However, all policies are amended on an on-going basis as current advice changes.