

Annual statement on compliance with IPC practice (including cleanliness) for General Practice Template

Purpose of the 'Annual statement'

The *Health and Social Care Act 2008: code of practice on the prevention and control of infection and related guidance* requires the Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Lead to produce an annual statement. This statement should be made available for anyone who wishes to see it, including patients and regulatory authorities and should also be published on the General Practice website.

Below is a suggested template for the Annual statement. General Practices can (and should) adapt the template and add further details, but the six key headings below must be included. The Annual statement and related forward programme/quality improvement plan, should be reviewed and signed off by the relevant General Practice governance group.

Introduction

This Annual statement has been drawn up on in accordance with the requirement of the *Health and Social Care Act 2008: code of practice on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance* for . It summarises:

1. Infection transmission incidents and actions taken
2. IPC audits undertaken and subsequent actions implemented
3. Risk assessments undertaken and any actions taken for prevention and control of infection
4. Staff training
5. Review and update of IPC policies, procedures and guidelines
6. Antimicrobial prescribing and stewardship

This statement has been drawn up by:

Name:
Infection Prevent and Control (IPC) Leads

1. Infection transmission incidents

Provide details of infection transmission incidents (which may involve examples of good practice as well as challenging events), how they were investigated, any lessons learnt and changes made as a result to facilitate future improvements.

X1 post minor surgery infection at week 2 – treated with antibiotics –
Possible cause – cyst ruptured on removal.
Information can be obtained from the minor surgery spreadsheet

2. IPC Audits and actions

Provide an overview of IPC audit programme as well as examples of good practice and actions taken to address suboptimal compliance.

Monthly IPC Audit – Top score 98.3% Lowest Score 93.4%
Cleanliness of surgery had improved with change of cleaning company but has started to decline rapidly – Management have been made aware and are liaising with company.
Kitchen is still left in a mess at times – staff have all been made aware again

3. Risk Assessments

Provide details of IPC related risk assessments carried out and actions taken to prevent and control infection.

Spot checks of clinical rooms and general areas of the practice.
Concerns raised about cleaning company and standards of cleanliness.
Staff advised of findings.

4. Staff training

Provide details of IPC induction training, annual updates and any other IPC related training.

Annual updates on Blue stream completed
RY and LJ – annual IPC update 24/6/25 PCN led

5. IPC Policies, procedures and guidance

Provide details of all policy reviews and updates, together with details of how changes have been implemented.

6 monthly room inspection and findings recorded and shared
New cleaning company keep own records and room cleaning sheets on the back of all clinical room doors.
6 Monthly handwashing audit

6. Antimicrobial prescribing and stewardship

Provide details of all activities undertaken to promote and improve antimicrobial prescribing and stewardship.

Forward plan/Quality improvement plan

Issue	Actions	Date for completion	Person responsible	Progress
General Practice Cleanliness	Management to meet with company and conduct full audit	06/26	L Wyatt	In progress
Clinical Rooms	Clinicians to ensure they are not leaving urine sticks out or cluttering sides	06/26	All clinicians	Highlighted – in progress
Kitchen	All staff to deal with their own cups etc and not leave in the sink. To wash and dry cups or put into dishwasher	06/26	Everyone	Highlighted – in progress

Forward plan/Quality improvement plan review date:

06/26

IPC statement and Forward plan/Quality improvement plan for presentation to

Partners and management

On 18/11/25