

Infection Control Annual Statement 2024-25

Purpose

This annual statement will be generated each year. It will summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and any action taken (these will have been reported in accordance with our Significant Event procedure)
- Details of any infection control audits undertaken
- Details of any control risk assessments undertaken
- Details of staff training
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

Infection Control Leads

Elmwood has two leads for Infection Prevention and Control – our lead Practice Nurse, Diane Eales and Julie Chambers, Practice Administrator.

Diane and Julie aim to ensure we are adhering to Infection Control standards and cascade relevant learning points back to the whole practice team.

Significant Events

2023-2024 - We are proud to report that we have further tightened our infection control procedures and have had no significant infection control events.

Audits

April 2024 - we have completed the Pre-Acceptance Waste Audit.

Infection Control audit has been completed at both sites in April 2024 and necessary improvements have been made.

Risk Assessments

Sarah Shepherd is responsible for infection control risk assessments.

Staff Training

Infection Control training is undertaken by each individual staff member annually.

Policies, Procedures & Guidelines

All individual infection control policies are reviewed in April 2024, and new overall infection control policy initiated (to be reviewed and updated April 2024)