

## Infection Prevention and Control Annual Statement Langley Corner Surgery

This statement should be updated yearly, and the current version should be displayed in the waiting room as well as published on the practice website.

### Introduction

This Annual statement has been drawn up on **01.05.2025** 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 Langley Corner Surgery. 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

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### 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.*

None

### 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.*

External audits are completed annually by Infection Prevention Solutions. The last audit was completed in April 2025 and Langley Corner Surgery achieved 90%% (Good). The recommendations are recorded on Team Net and assigned to relevant staff members to be completed in a timely manner.

Internal clinical room checks of 3 random rooms are completed every 3 months to ensure standards are maintained. Areas which could be improved are shared during the monthly Practice meeting. The most recent clinical room checks had generally high standards of cleanliness:

- Disposable curtains were in date and clean
- Rooms were well stocked of PPE

-A small number of extraneous items were found near the sinks and not tidied away  
-Areas of dusty skirting and curtain rails were highlighted to the cleaners to rectify  
All staff are reminded to keep a clean desk and surface area.

### **3. Risk Assessments**

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

Risk assessments are carried out to ensure best practice is established and followed.

In 2024/2025 the following risk assessments were carried out:

Fire (8/4/25): 2 medium risk actions were highlighted and requested to rectify and complete within 6 months

Leigsonella and water testing (22/11/24): passed

COSHH (8/10/24): safety data sheets for any new cleaning chemicals were updated

### **4. Staff training**

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

All staff complete IPC training as part of their induction and kept up to date by completing Blue Stream e-learning annually. Currently, 100% of staff are up to date with IPC training.

### **5. IPC Policies, procedures and guidance**

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

All policies and meeting updates are available for all staff to view on TeamNet.

### **6. Antimicrobial prescribing and stewardship**

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

The prescribers at Langley Corner Surgery utilise Ardens templates to prescribe as safely and effectively as possible, considering medical history, current presenting complaint and observations and recommended medication if needed. A delayed prescription approach is adopted where indicated also. This ensures inappropriate and overuse of antibiotics.