

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 16th December 2024 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 Fakenham Medical Practice. 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.

There have been Zero incidents in the practice relating to infection control within the previous 12 months

There have been Zero complaints in the practice relating to infection control within the previous 12 months

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.

Annual audit completed 18th November, all outstanding actions from audit completed 10th February

3. Risk Assessments

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

Cleaning Standards, General IPC risk assessment, Privacy Curtains, Sharps, Staff Vaccinations, Assistance Dogs – all completed 28th November 2024

4. Staff training

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

IPC training completed as part of induction and then repeated every 36 months

5. IPC Policies, procedures and guidance

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

All IPC policies reviewed in October 2024

6. Antimicrobial prescribing and stewardship

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

Latest guidance on prescribing antibiotics followed - for instance first line UTI 3 days course.

Forward plan/Quality improvement plan

Issue	Actions	Date for completion	Person responsible	Progress
Hand washing audit	IPC leads to complete	January 2025	IPC team	Complete
Outstanding actions from audits	Order notice boards and complete actions	January 2025	IPC team	complete

Forward plan/Quality improvement plan review date:

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

On

Review by 20th December 2025