

ST CHADS & CHILCOMPTON SURGERY

INFECTION CONTROL ANNUAL STATEMENT

January 2017 -2018

1) Purpose

In line with the Health and Social Care Act 2008: Code of practice on prevention and control of infection and related guidance, this annual statement was produced by Sarah Carpenter (IC lead) and will be generated each year . It will summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and action taken (these will be reported in accordance with our significant event procedure).
- Details of any infection control audits and any actions undertaken.
- Details of any infection control risk assessments undertaken and subsequent actions implemented as a result.
- Details of any staff training.
- Any reviews and updates of policies, procedures and guidelines.

2) Infection Control lead

The Infection Control Lead (IC) will enable the integration of Infection Control principles into standards of care within the practice, by acting as a link between the surgery and the local infection Control Team.

Practice Infection Control Leads: Sarah Carpenter- Nurse Team Lead. Rachal Meagor: Senior Practice Nurse

Environmental cleanliness/cleaning of premises Lead: Caron Tremaine-Tucker– Practice Manager

The Infection Control Lead will carry out the following within the practice:

- Increase awareness of Infection Control issues amongst staff and clients
- Help motivate colleagues to improve practice
- Improve local implementation of Infection Control policies
- Ensure that practice based Infection Control audits are undertaken
- Assist in the education of colleagues
- Help identify any Infection Control problems within the practice and work to resolve these, where necessary in conjunction with the local Infection Control Team
- Act as a role model within the practice
- Disseminate key Infection Control messages to their colleagues within the practice
- Produce an annual infection control statement with regard to compliance with infection prevention and cleanliness.

3) Significant Events

There have been no significant events raised that relate to infection control in the past year.

4) Audits

Infection control annual audits St Chads Surgery on 07/04/17 and Chilcompton Surgery on 31/03/17

Internal audits were carried out in adherence to the Code of Practice. An action plan was developed as a result of the feedback/outcomes of the audits and key priorities identified. The following actions have been taken:

St Chads surgery

- Carpet in baby Imms room replaced with washable vinyl flooring
- Carpet in Room C replaced with vinyl flooring
- New dressing trolley Rm D
- Patient toilet & baby changing area decorated.
- Awaiting new shelving in stock room

Chilcompton Surgery

- GP room 1. Keyboard replaced
- Replacement flooring in staff toilet

Three monthly sharps audit, couch audit, BP cuff & general cleanliness of clinical areas & consultation rooms.

The above audits are carried out every three months. The following actions have been taken as a result of feedback from the audits.

- Replacement BP cuffs (replaced as required)
- Reminder to all clinical staff to ensure sharps boxes are dated when opened & closed.
- Reminder to all GPs to ensure consultation rooms are clutter free to facilitate cleaning

Other Infection prevention & control activities this year.

- All staff offered Influenza vaccination

5) Staff Training

- Annual competencies completed by clinical staff in aseptic technique and hand washing.
- IC&P training now available on e-learning for clinical staff

6) Policies, Procedures and Guidelines

- Infection control policy document reviewed.