

Infection Control Annual Statement September 2022

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 and actions undertaken
- Details of any control risk assessments undertaken
- Details of staff training
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

Background

Belvidere Medical Practice has lead for Infection, Prevention and Control, Jane Bowen (Practice Nurse)

Significant Events:

In the last year there have been no significant events raised that related to infection control.

Risk Assessments

Cleaning, Hygiene and Infection Control

The practice cleaner, Debbie Goodall, is responsible for cleaning throughout the surgery.

Our staff carry out visual checks to ensure that work areas are clean.

All feedback from patients has indicated that our premises are clean and well maintained.

We have never received a complaint in relation to the cleanliness of our practice.

Handwashing

All staff, clinical and admin undertake training on handwashing technique. We hope to check this with a practical session in the near future as soon as the appropriate equipment can be accessed.

Toys, books and magazines

We no longer provide toys for children whilst they are in the waiting room.

Curtains

Modesty curtains in treatment rooms are disposable and once opened are changed every 6 months, or sooner if soiled/damaged.

Staff training

All clinical and non-clinical staff undertake annual training in Infection control and prevention. We feel it is important that they are aware of the importance of hand hygiene infection control.

Policies, Procedures and Guidelines

Policies relating to Infection Prevention and Control are reviewed and updated annually, and all are amended on an on-going basis as current advice, guidance and legislation changes.

Jane Bowen (Practice Nurse)
For and on behalf of Belvidere Medical Practice
Review: September 2023.