

St Anthony's Health Centre Infection Control Statement 2020

This statement will normally be generated annually in September and will summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and any action taken (incidents are also reported in accordance with the practice infection control policy and significant event procedures).
- Details of any infection control audits undertaken and any subsequent actions taken as a result.
- Details of any infection control risk assessment undertaken and any subsequent actions as a result.
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines.

INFECTION CONTROL LEADS: Doctor Jonathan Caudle, Practice Nurse
Sue Harkness

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS: Within the past 12 months one confirmed cases of community acquired clostridium difficile, both cases were reviewed in line with local policy.

INCIDENT LOG: No incidents within 12 months

AUDITS: (update) October 2020 Infection Control during Covid 19

STAFF TRAINING: Annual infection control training is carried out in-house. Record of attendance and slides and handouts on file GPTeamNet
Clinical Staff have completed IF handbook assessments throughout 2018.

POLICIES, PROTOCOLS AND GUIDELINES:

The following are in use at the practice and are reviewed annually.

Infection Control Policy – reviewed Sept 2020

Includes

- Hand washing
- Personal protective equipment
- Safe disposal of sharps
- Clinical waste
- Aseptic technique
- Management Plan for needle stick injury and exposure to blood and bodily fluid

St Anthony's Health Centre Cleaning Schedule – reviewed Sept 2020

An independent contractor is used to provide cleaning to both clinical and non-clinical areas. We regularly audit the standard of their work. The same company monitor the water temperature in line with recommendations for legionella assessments.

Curtains around couches are replaced every 12months (disposable curtains).

Baby Change supplies are kept at reception. The changing mat is wiped after each use – using antimicrobial wipes.

Biohazard Box

Available at reception for use in event of blood/vomit or urine spills.

Updated Sept 2020