

Infection Control Annual Statement 2021-22

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

Infection Control Leads

Elmwood has two leads for Infection Prevention and Control – our lead Practice Nurse, Diane Eales and Julie Chambers, Practice Administrator.

Diane and Julie aim to ensure we are adhering to Infection Control standards and cascade relevant learning points back to the whole practice team.

Significant Events

2020-21 has been an unusually difficult year given the Covid-19 pandemic, however we are proud to report that with tightening of our infection control procedures we have managed to avoid any staff outbreaks and kept patients safe too throughout.

Audits

March 2021 we audited both Holmfirth & Meltham sites and made necessary improvements.
Waste disposal audit

Risk Assessments

Sarah Shepherd responsible for infection control risk assessments.

Staff Training

Julie Chambers responsible for ensuring all staff are up to date with any necessary mandatory training

Policies, Procedures & Guidelines

All infection control policies updated April 21 (to be reviewed 2022)