**INFECTION PREVENTION AUDIT AND ACTIONS**

Any information about the organisation and any requirements needed following the CQC inspection : None

Last External IPC inspection (Enter actions recommended): Dated 2016

Actions: Changes to clinical sinks and taps

Completed in 2018 – Clinical sinks taps and back splashes have now replaced the original fixtures in all clinical areas.

Internal audits that have been conducted within the previous year: 1

Date of Audit : March 2024

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Actions have been discussed and implemented (see attached)

Next Audit: March 2025

**Risk assessments**

Risk assessments are carried out so that any risk is minimised and made to be as low as is reasonably practicable. Additionally, a risk assessment that can identify best practice can be established and then followed.

In the last year, the following risk assessments were carried out/reviewed:

* General IPC risks
* Staffing, new joiners and ongoing training
* COSHH
* Cleaning standards
* Privacy curtain cleaning or changes
* Staff vaccinations
* Infrastructure changes
* Sharps
* Water safety
* Toys
* Assistance dogs

In the next year, the following risk assessment will also be reviewed: see attached for time scales

**Training**

In addition to staff being involved in risk assessments and significant events, at The Whitehorse Practice all staff and contractors receive IPC induction training on commencing their post. Thereafter, all staff receive refresher training annually.

**Policies and procedures**

The infection prevention and control-related policies and procedures that have been written, updated or reviewed in the last year include, but are not limited, to:

* COSHH
* Cleaning standards
* Staff vaccinations
* Infrastructure changes
* Sharps
* Water safety

Policies relating to infection prevention and control are available to all staff and are reviewed and updated annually. Additionally, all policies are amended on an ongoing basis as per current advice, guidance and legislation changes.

**Responsibility**

It is the responsibility of all staff members at The Whitehorse Practice to be familiar with this statement and their roles and responsibilities under it.

**Review**

The IPC leads are responsible for reviewing and producing the annual statement.

This annual statement will be updated on or before July 2025.

**Signed by**

For and on behalf of The Whitehorse Practice