

University of Reading

Medical Practice

INFECTION CONTROL ANNUAL STATEMENT 2017

Purpose

The annual statement will be generated yearly.

It will summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and action taken (these will be reported in accordance with our Significant Event procedure)
- The annual infection control audit summary and actions undertaken
- Details of staff training (both as part of induction and annual training) with regards to infection prevention & control
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines.

Background:

The University of Reading Medical Practice lead for Infection Prevention /Control is Alison Alder - Nurse who is supported by:

Lorraine Watkinson, General Manager

This team keep updated with infection prevention & control practices and share necessary information with staff and patients throughout the year.

Significant events:

In the past year 16/17 there has been one significant event that related to infection prevention & control.

Audits:

Infection control audits were undertaken by:
Alison Alder & Lorraine Watkinson on the 19th December 2017

Actions from this included:

Clinicians are fully updated with regards to the infection control policy

Staff training:

Alison Alder continues to provide Infection, Prevention and Control induction training to all new starters and annual infection control updates to all staff.

85% of staff attended an annual infection control update on 2nd November 2017. The training was provided by Michaela Hooper (Infection Prevention & Control Nurse for Berkshire West CCGs)

The Infection Control Leads attended their updates on the 2nd November 2017 for their role, the training is provided by Michaela Hooper (the Infection Prevention & Control Nurse for Berkshire West CCGs.)

Infection Control Advice to Patients:

Patients are encouraged to use the alcohol hand gel/sanitiser dispensers that are available throughout the Medical Centre/Surgery.

There are relevant posters displayed in the Surgery – currently Norovirus, Influenza. These are reviewed on a regular basis

Policies, procedures and guidelines.

Documents related to infection prevention & control are reviewed in line with national and local guidance changes and are updated 2-yearly (or sooner in the event on new guidance).