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Infection Prevention and Control Annual Statement March 2019

In line with the Health and Social Care Act 2008: Code of practice on prevention and control of infection and its related guidance, this Annual Statement will be generated each year. It will summarise:

- Any known infection transmission events and actions arising from this;
- Audits undertaken and subsequent actions;
- Risk assessments undertaken for prevention and control of infection;
- Education and training received by staff; and
- Review and update of policies, procedures and guidance

Infection Control Team

The infection control team at Woodlands consists of:

- Nurse Heather Pinder – Infection control lead
- HCA Carla Davies - Lead for waste management
- Practice Manager - responsible for contracts with the external cleaning company and window cleaning company, and infrastructure improvements.
- GP Partner Dr Alex Hart

Infection transmission events or significant events involving infection control

In the year January 2018-march 2019 there have been no infection transmission events or significant events involving infection control.

Audits and risk assessments undertaken and subsequent actions

Following the completion of the surgery's new extension an initial risk assessment of the new sluice room was carried out, a further risk assessment was completed at the end February 2018 now the room is in use.

An Infection Control Guideline for the use of the Sluice Room was introduced on completion in April 2018 and will be reviewed as required or in April 2020.

Actions from 2018 audit:

- All chairs now replaced with washable fabric.
- Toys in the waiting room have now been replaced with crayons and colouring paper as washable table and washable whiteboard.

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- Washable whiteboards are now in all clinical rooms with the exception of 2/3 rooms outstanding
- All clinical rooms and toilets updated with Infection Control Posters

An internal audit of cleanliness and infection control procedures in Feb/March 2019 highlighted a number of issues for which a subsequent risk assessment was undertaken, which is detailed below:

<u>Hazard</u>	<u>Risk evaluation</u>	<u>Action plan</u>	<u>Timescale</u>
Hand Hygiene- staff should be able to demonstrate correct hand washing techniques	Ineffective handwashing holds a high risk of cross infection.	Staff Annual Hand Washing Training Update, and ongoing Training for any New Staff Person responsible: Infection Control Lead	Completed February 2019 & ongoing for new staff
Some chairs in clinical areas are of non-washable fabric and are ripped	Current chairs are removed if contaminated	Audit of furniture in clinical areas and replacement by chairs with washable fabric. Person responsible: Practice Manager	Completed
Toys held in waiting room.	Toys not regularly cleaned and even if cleaned regularly hold a high risk of cross infection	Replace waiting room toys with colouring paper/crayons, washable fabric small table and chairs. Person responsible: Practice Manager	Completed

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Some display boards in clinical rooms cloth/cork boards.	Moderate risk of harbouring bacteria as unable to clean effectively	In process of being replaced with washable white boards. Person Responsible: Practice Manager	Completed except for two rooms Sept 2019
Infection Control Posters missing in some consulting rooms and toilets	Risk of harm/cross infection without information for procedures in event of needle stick injury, handwashing technique and waste disposal	Missing posters to be put in place in each identified room. Person responsible: Infection Control Lead	Completed
Some work surfaces are cluttered in clinical areas	Moderate risk of cross infection. Cleaners cannot clean effectively.	Staff informed via staff update Person responsible: All staff and Infection Control Lead to monitor	Ongoing monitoring
Domestic waste bins not foot pedal operated metal bins in down stairs toilets and new staff toilet	Risk of contamination/cross infection when using the bin and handling the lid.	Replace current bin systems Person responsible: Practice Manager	Sept 2019
Some sharps bin holders are missing from some consulting rooms.	Moderate risk of cross infection/harm from needlestick injury.	To install sharp bin brackets where missing. Person responsible: Practice Manager	Sept 2019
Some instances of ineffective external general daily cleaning	High risk of cross infection	Co-op cleaning company Ongoing monitoring and audit. Person responsible: Practice Manager	Ongoing
No Instructions available for cleaning of baby changing facilities after use	Moderate risk of cross infection	Check current system and then place in instructions. Person responsible Infection Control Lead	Completed

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General decoration and 'snagging' following completion of extension	Moderate risk of cross infection	'Snagging list' to be drawn up and completed	Dec 2019
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NB: Some of the above actions remain ongoing from last year due to a change in Practice Manager and Handyman.

An ongoing audit of use of antimicrobials was undertaken in conjunction with the OCCG medicines management team show Woodlands Medical Centre achieve improvement and achievement of targets.

Training

New clinical staff including GPs, GP registrar, F2 doctors and medical students have received comprehensive infection control training as part of their induction programme. All current staff completed an annual update for Hand Hygiene in Jan/Feb 2019.

Review and update of policies, procedures and guidance

The infection control policy will be reviewed and updated in April 2019 and will be circulated to all staff for information and guidance.

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