



The Long Buckby Practice

Infection Prevention and Control Annual Statement Report

Purpose

This annual statement is produced each year in accordance with the requirements of the Health and Social Care Act 2008: Code of Practice on the Prevention and Control of Infections and Related Guidance. The report is published on The Long Buckby Practice website and includes the following summary:

- Any infection transmission incidents and actions taken (reported in accordance with the practice's significant event procedure).
- Details of any infection prevention and control audits undertaken and resulting actions.
- Details of any risk assessments undertaken for the prevention and control of infection.
- Details of staff training.
- Any review and updates to policies, procedures and guidelines.

Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Lead

The Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Lead at **The Long Buckby Practice** is **The Practice Manager**

1. Infection transmission incidents (Significant Events)

Significant events include examples of good practice as well as incidents where improvements can be made.

Positive events are shared at practice meetings to promote good practice throughout the team.

Any negative events are investigated through the practice's Significant Event Analysis (SEA) process. This enables the practice to identify learning opportunities, implement improvements where necessary, and review policies or procedures if required.

All significant events are discussed at regular practice meetings, and any learning points are communicated to relevant staff.

During the past year there have been no significant events relating to infection prevention and control. There have also been no complaints relating to cleanliness or infection control.

2. Infection Prevention Audits

The practice undertakes regular infection prevention and control audits to ensure compliance with national standards and best practice.

Any actions identified through internal or external audits are completed within agreed timescales and monitored to ensure continuous improvement.

3. Risk Assessments



The practice carries out regular risk assessments covering infection prevention and control, including but not limited to:

- Legionella risk assessment
- Waste management via Anenta our Waste Management Provider
- Sharps safety
- Hand hygiene
- Environmental cleanliness
- BrightR – our external cleaning company also carry out risk assessments, audits and a National Standards of Cleanliness Schedule

Any identified risks are addressed promptly and reviewed as part of the practice's ongoing quality improvement programme.

4. Staff Training

All clinical and non-clinical staff receive infection prevention and control training appropriate to their role.

Training is completed during induction for new staff and refreshed regularly in line with mandatory training requirements.

5. Policies and Procedures

The practice maintains a comprehensive range of infection prevention and control policies, including provided by Infection Prevention and Control Ltd.

All policies are reviewed annually or sooner if national guidance or legislation changes.

Responsibilities

All members of staff at **The Long Buckby Practice** are responsible for ensuring they are familiar with this statement and with their individual responsibilities for infection prevention and control.

Review

The Infection Prevention and Control Lead is responsible for reviewing and updating this annual statement.

This statement will be reviewed annually and updated as required.

Practice Manager

For and on behalf of **The Long Buckby Practice**