

University Medical Group

INFECTION CONTROL ANNUAL STATEMENT 2021

Whitley Villa

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 Group lead for Infection Prevention & Control is:

- Charlene Morgan – Nurse manager

who is supported by:

- Louise Stoney – Nursing associate

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 2020/2021 there has been no significant events that are related to infection prevention & control.

Audits:

Infection control audits were undertaken by: Charlene Morgan in June 2021.

Actions from this included:

- Updated handwashing posters were added to clinical rooms
- An audit of daily cleaning was undertaken
- An audit on personal protective equipment (PPE) compliance was undertaken

Staff training:

Charlene Morgan provides Infection, Prevention and Control induction training to all new starters and annual infection control updates to all staff. 98% of staff have completed an infection control update training session in the last 12 months.

Infection Control Advice to Patients:

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

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 of new guidance).