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Infection Control Annual Statement 2015

1. Purpose

The annual statement of Infection Control is generated each year in accordance with the Health and Social Care act 2008. The purpose of this is to summarise:

- Any infection control incidents
- Infection control audits
- Risk assessments undertaken
- Staff training
- Review or updating of policies

2. Clinical Leads

The clinical leads for IPC is Dr. Duane O'Reilly and Sister Pauline Prestige.

3. Significant Events

There have been no significant events that have impacted on patient care or staff welfare.

4. Audit and Risk assessments

West Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group were invited to inspect Forestside medical Practice on 25 March 2015. Overall, the inspector was happy that the practice was conforming to Infection Control Policies and felt that the practice was operating a safe clinical environment for both patients and staff.

Recommendations for improvement:

- To provide regular updates on Infection Prevention Education for clinical and non-clinical staff
- To update flooring and soft furnishings
- To provide soap dispensers in all clinical rooms
- To remind staff of safe disposal of sharps education
- To provide a Minor Surgery Protocol

5. Updates

Recommendations have already been actioned since the report in March 2015. Dr. O'Reilly has been assigned clinical IPC lead for Forestside Medical Practice with Sister Pauline Prestige assisting him.

Soap dispensers have been installed in all clinical rooms and toilets.

Minor surgery now follows a practice protocol which complies with the Practice's Infection Control Policies.

Outstanding recommendations include updating soft furnishings to wipeable chairs within the consultation rooms

Action Review date: 1 Dec 2017

Responsibility: Dr. Duane O'Reilly