



SOUTH GRANGE MEDICAL GROUP PRACTICE

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Infection Control Annual Statement April 2022

Purpose

This annual statement will be generated each year in April. It will summarise:

- Any infection transmission incidents and any action taken (these will have been reported in accordance with our Significant Event procedure)
- Details of any infection control audits and actions undertaken
- Details of any control risk assessments undertaken
- Details of staff training
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

Background

South Grange Medical Group Practice has two leads for Infection, Prevention and Control, Practice Nurse, Lauren Potter and Nurse Practitioner Michelle Beaumont, supported by all members of the nursing team.

Lauren and Michelle keep updated on infection control and shares necessary information with the team.

Significant Events

In the last year (01/04/2021 – 31/03/2022) there have been no significant events raised that related to infection control.

Audits

Infection Prevention and Control audits have been undertaken regularly throughout the last year.

Risk Assessments

Annual risk assessment is carried out so best practice can be established and then followed.

Cleaning specifications, frequencies and cleanliness

We have a cleaning specification and frequency policy which our cleaners work to. A monthly assessment of cleanliness is conducted by the cleaning team and logged.

Toys, books and magazines

We have taken the decision to no longer provide magazines or toys to entertain adults or children whilst they are in the waiting room. We feel this is the right action to manage the risk of potential infection.

Curtains

Modesty curtains in treatment rooms are disposable and once opened are changed every 12 months as minimum unless necessary to change sooner.

Staff training

All Clinicians complete annual infection control training specifically for clinical staff; admin team also complete training for infection control and prevention appropriate to their job role.

Lauren and Michelle have undertaken additional Infection Control training to enhance their role as practice leads.

All staff are aware of the importance of hand hygiene and an annual audit is completed for this also.

Policies, Procedures and Guidelines

Policies relating to Infection Prevention and Control are usually reviewed and updated annually, however during Covid-19 we have reviewed our policy more regularly as per current advice and guidance.

Every room has been stocked with antibacterial spray, wipes and alcohol gel. Staff have been working safely wearing PPE and social distancing as per guidelines.

Breaks have been added to allow for more cleaning in between patients.

All visitors to the premises are required to wear face covering (mask or shield) whilst on site unless exempt.

Karen Brain
Practice Manager

For and on behalf of South Grange Medical Group Practice

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