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Northgate Medical Practice Annual Statement Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)

Northgate Medical Practice is committed to providing a clean and safe environment for its patient's, staff and visitors, in line with the infection prevention and control guidelines outlined in the Health and Social Care Act 2008 Code of Practice.

The leads for infection prevention and control at Northgate Medical Practice are Mrs Jackie Coleman, Practice Nurse and supported by Sharon Harding, Clinical Services Manager.

Infection Prevention Audit and Actions

IPC Audits are undertaken annually at Northgate Medical Practice, Chartham Surgery and Blean Branch Surgery. An external company undertakes the audit. Report outcomes for all branches are shared with the Practice. All three branches were inspected in May 2022 and met the standard required within General Practice. Minor issues have been acted upon as necessary by the team. The next IPC audit will take place in Spring/Summer 2023.

Risk assessments / Training / Policies and Procedures

Risk assessments are carried out regularly on processes/procedures/equipment and training for IPC so that any risk is minimized to be as low as reasonably practicable. General IPC risks at Northgate Medical Practice all staff receive IPC induction training on commencing their post. Thereafter, all staff receive refresher training as appropriate to their roles.

Infection prevention and control related policies and procedures that have been written have been updated or reviewed within the last year. Policies relating to infection prevention and control are available for all staff and updated annually. Additionally, all policies are amended on an ongoing basis as per current advice, guidance and legislation changes.

Responsibility

It is the responsibility of all staff members at Northgate Medical Practice to be familiar with this statement and their roles and responsibilities under it.

Review

The IPC lead and Practice Manager are responsible for reviewing and producing the annual statement. This annual statement will be updated on or before June 2023.

Practice Manager

For and on behalf of Northgate Medical Practice
August 2022