



Adnova Clinic

Infection Control Annual Statement

Purpose

The annual statement will be generated each year in June 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*. It summarises:

- 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 undertaken and actions undertaken
- Details of any risk assessment undertaken for prevention and control of infection
- Details of staff training
- Any review and update of policies, procedures and guidelines

Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Lead

Adnova Clinic has one Lead of Infection Prevention and Control: Lynne Proctor (Theatre Manager)

The IPC Lead is supported by: Mr Charles Durrant (Consultant Surgeon)

Non Clinical: Lee Olsen (Practice Manager)

Lynne is booked onto the RCN Accredited 2-day Link Practitioners Course in August and was also IPC Link Practitioner for Operating Theatres within the NHS and Royal Navy.

Infection Transmission Incidents (Significant Events)

Significant events (which may involve examples of good practice as well as challenging events) are investigated in detail to see what can be learnt and to indicate changes that might lead to future improvements. All significant events are reviewed in the management meetings and learning is cascaded to all relevant staff.

Since we have started operating there have been no significant events raised that related to infection control.

Infection Prevention Audit and Actions

The annual Infection Prevention and Control Audit was conducted by an independent external specialist company Infection Prevention Solutions in June 2023.

Adnova Clinic received a grade of **GOOD**.

As a result of the audit, the following things have been/will be changed in Adnova Clinic:

- A new shelf for the large boxes of sterile packs
- Re-education of cleaners to dry the mop buckets upside down
- New risk assessments for all infection control policies
- Infection control annual statement

Audits undertaken/continuing 2022-2023:

- An audit on cleaning is undertaken monthly by Smart Group Services
- A legionella audit is conducted monthly
- A hand hygiene audit has been conducted for six months with no recorded infections
- Surgical incision audit has been running for two months which will be continuing

Audits we plan to conduct/continue 2023-2024:

- Annual Infection Prevention and Control Audit
- Hand Hygiene Audit
- Legionella Audit
- Surgical Incision Audit
- Sharps Audit
- Cleaning Audit

Risk Assessments

Risk assessments are carried out to that best practice can be established and then followed. In the last year the following risk assessment have were carried out:

Legionella Risk Assessment: this is done monthly and water temperature is checked weekly. We have an independent company booked to come and do an external audit on 12/07/23.

Clinical Waste Risk Assessment: We use an external company called Initial and conform to all standards set by them. All clinical waste is picked up weekly.

Sets and Instruments Risk Assessment: We use an external company IHSS Southampton and conform to all standards set by them. We keep all traceability stickers and have them scanned onto patients files in case of any future issue.

Correct Theatre Attire Risk Assessment: We ensure that all staff within the theatre environment are wearing the correct clothing, hats, PPE, gowns and footwear. All staff have trained within the theatre environment and have read the Theatre Infection Control Policy. Access to theatre will be denied if the correct attire is not worn.

Linen Risk Assessment: Elis is an external company that deals with all our linen. We conform to all the standards that are required by them. Staff are reminded to use universal precautions with the correct PPE provided at all times.



Training

All our staff receive training yearly in Infection Prevention and Control to Level one, and level one and two for all clinical staff.

Lynne Proctor has received specialist training in infection prevention and control and has another update booked 22nd and 23rd August 2023.

Policy

All Infection Prevention and Control Related Policies are in date.

Policies relating to Infection Prevention and Control are available to all staff and are reviewed and updated two yearly, and all are amended on an on-going basis as current advice, guidance and legislation changes.

Infection Control policies are signed for yearly on TeamNet by all staff or if any policy has been updated.

Responsibility

It is the responsibility of each individual to be familiar with this statement and their roles and responsibilities.

Review date

June 2023

Responsibility for Review

The Infection Prevention and Control Lead (Lynne Proctor) is responsible for reviewing and producing the Annual Statement.

Lynne Proctor

Theatre Manager/Infection Control Lead/ODP

For and on behalf of Adnova Clinic